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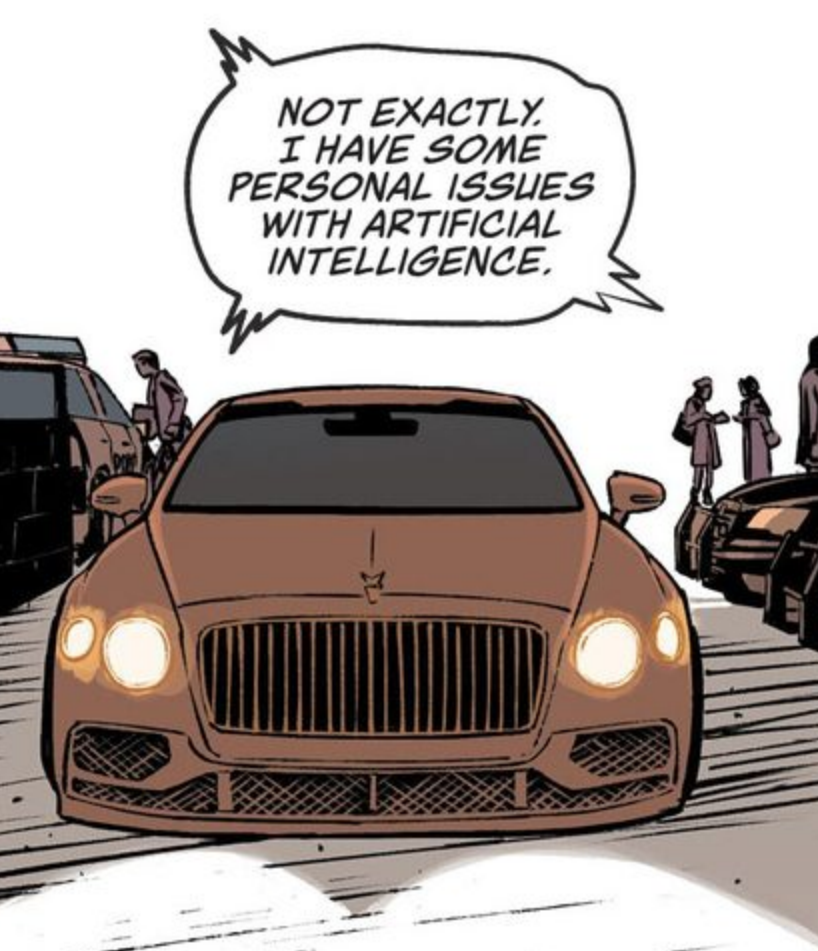
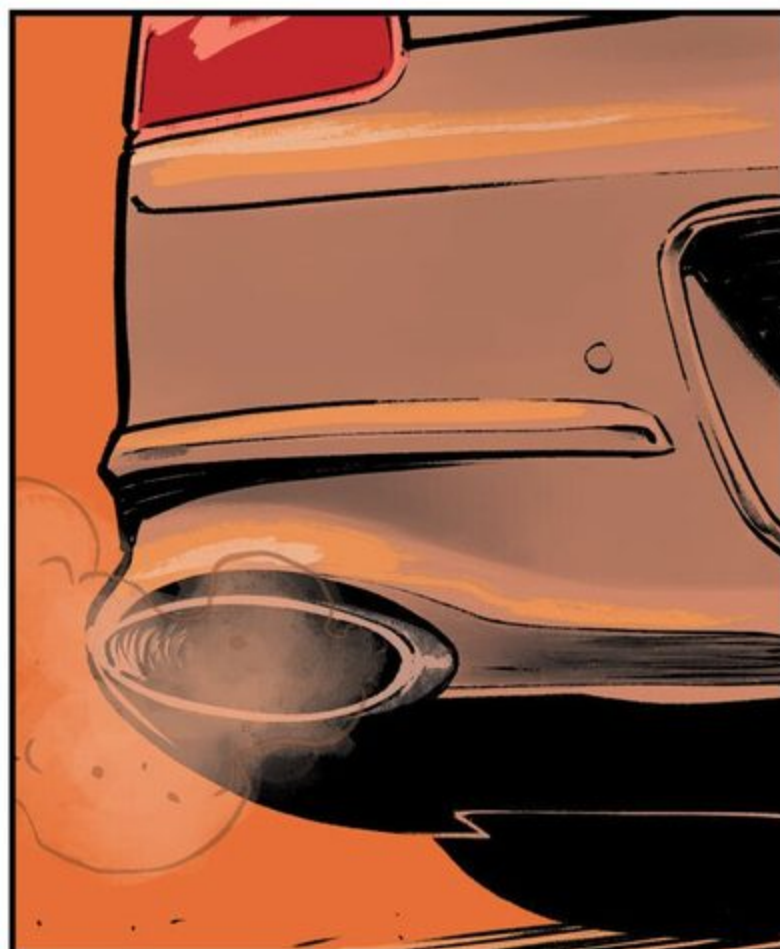
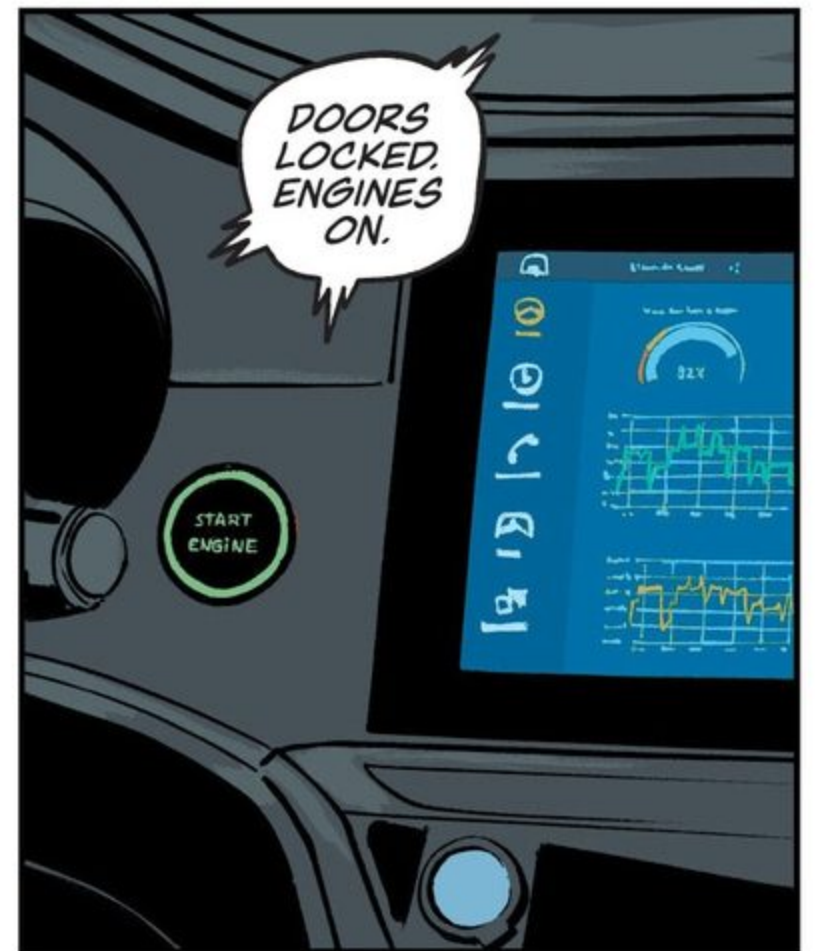
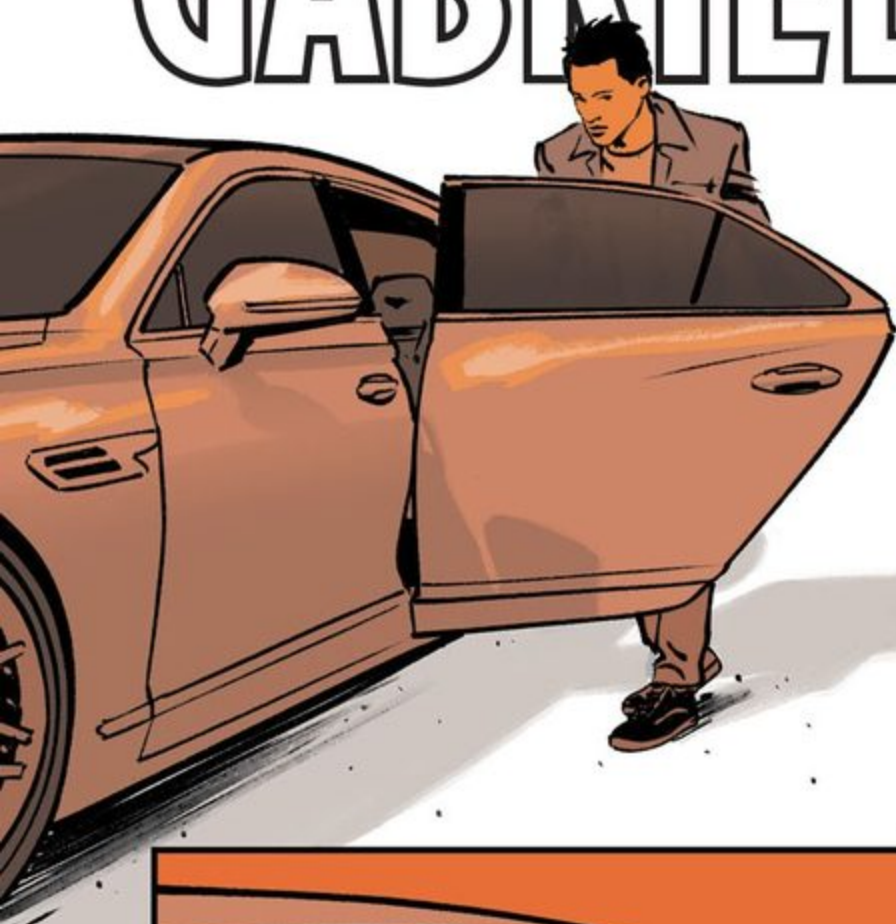
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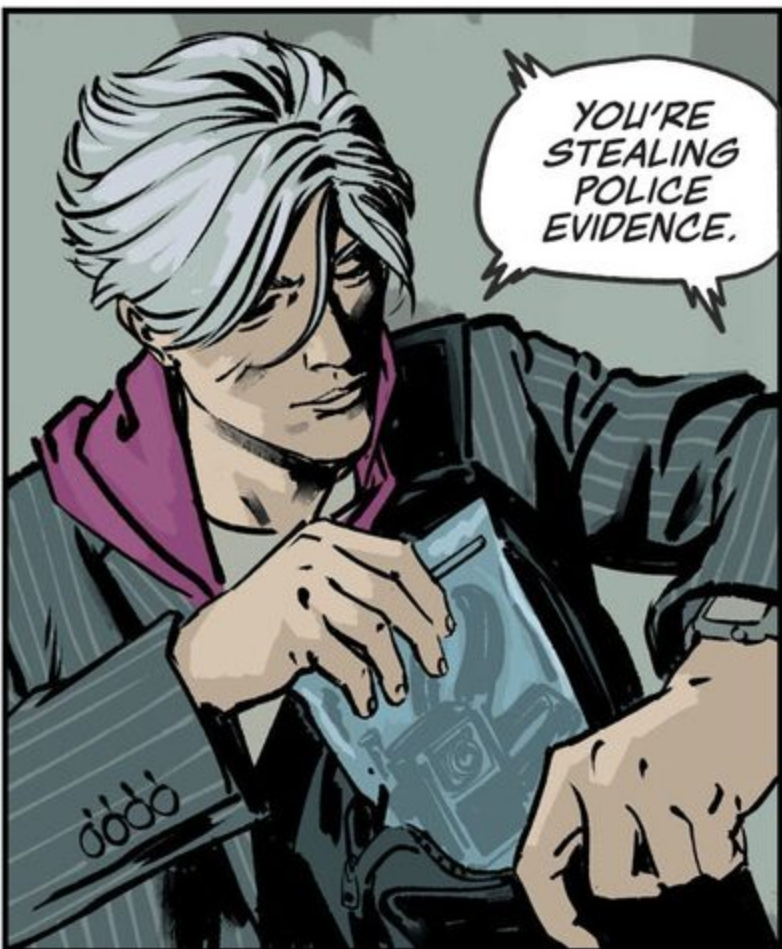
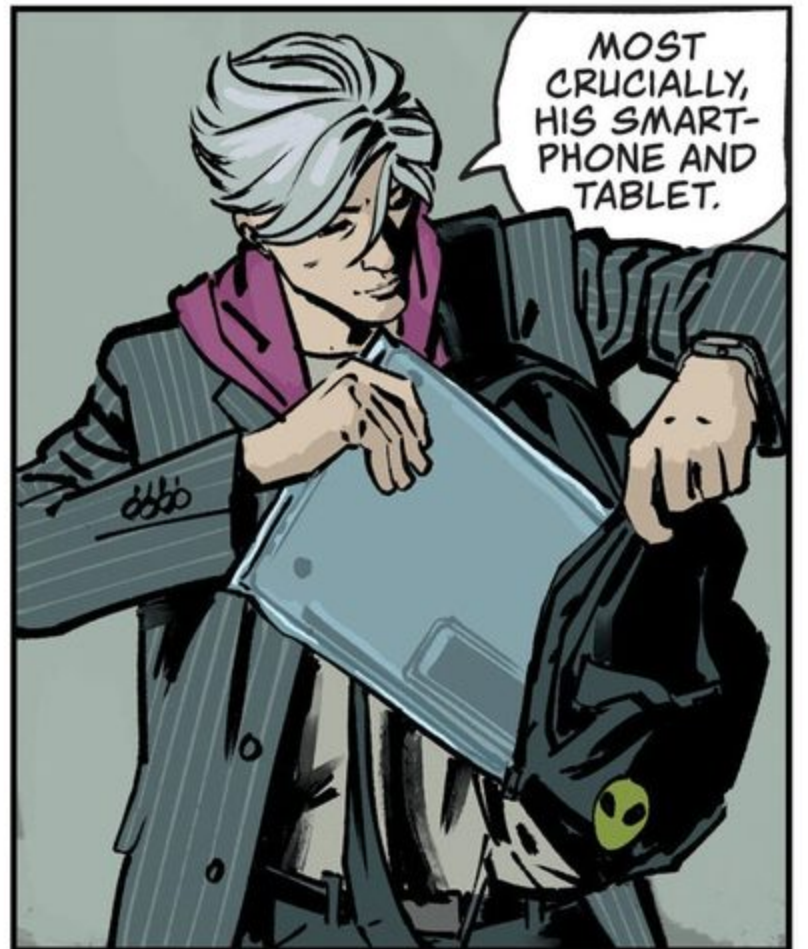
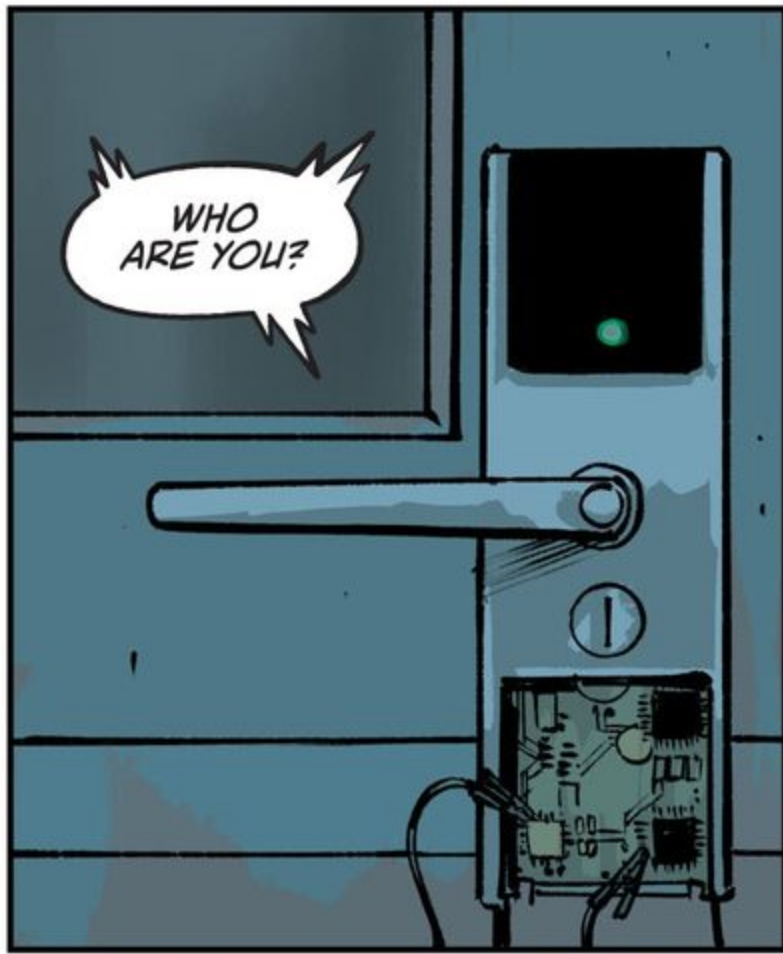
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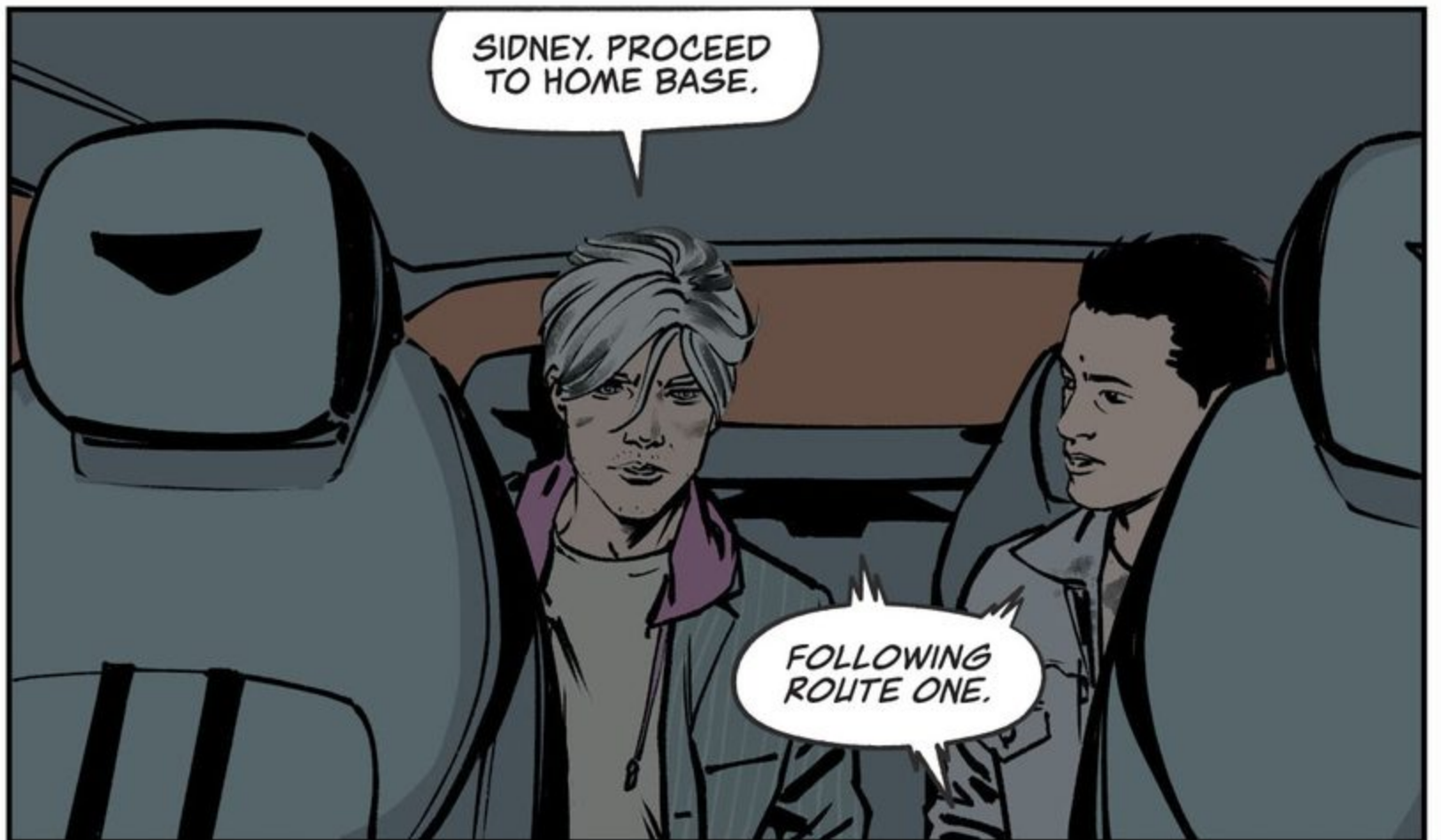
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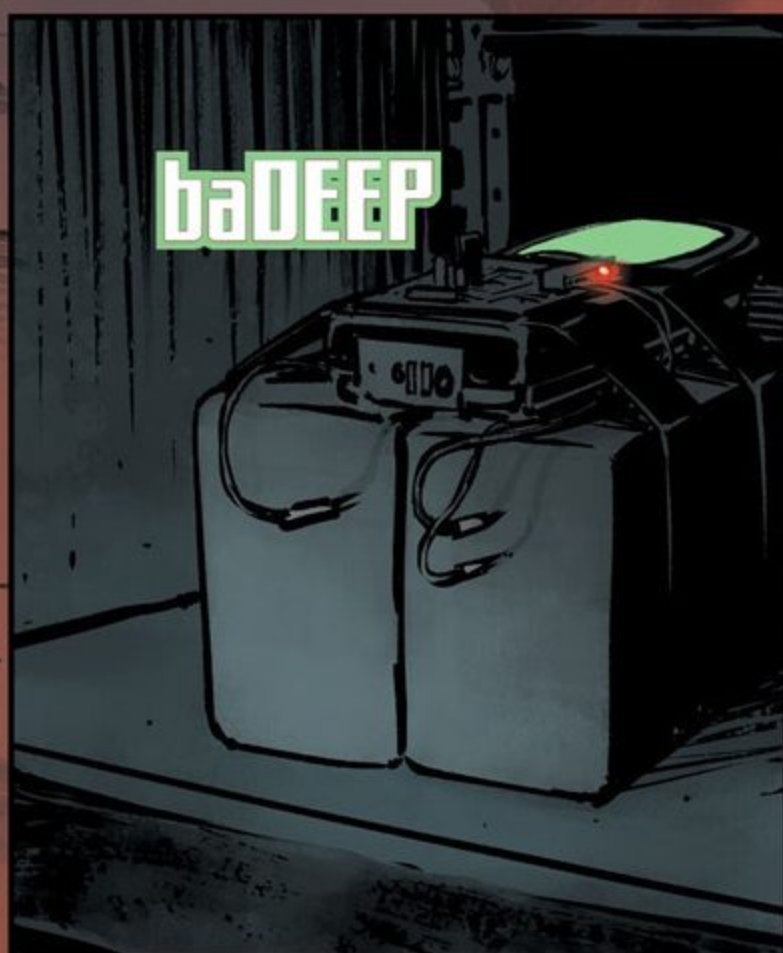




I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHO YOU ARE OR WHAT YOU'RE DOING, BUT I NEED YOU TO--



JUST A MOMENT, ELLISON.



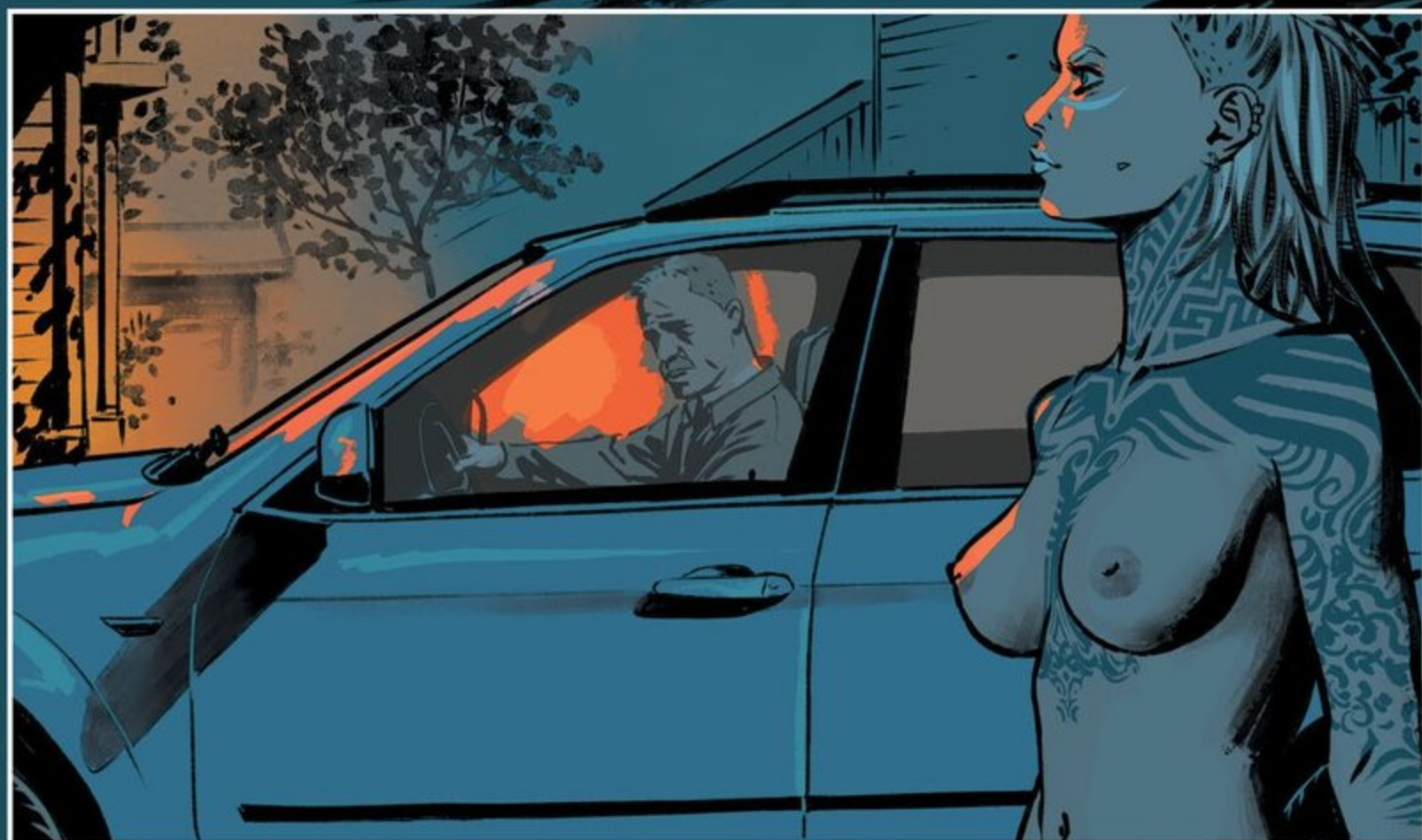


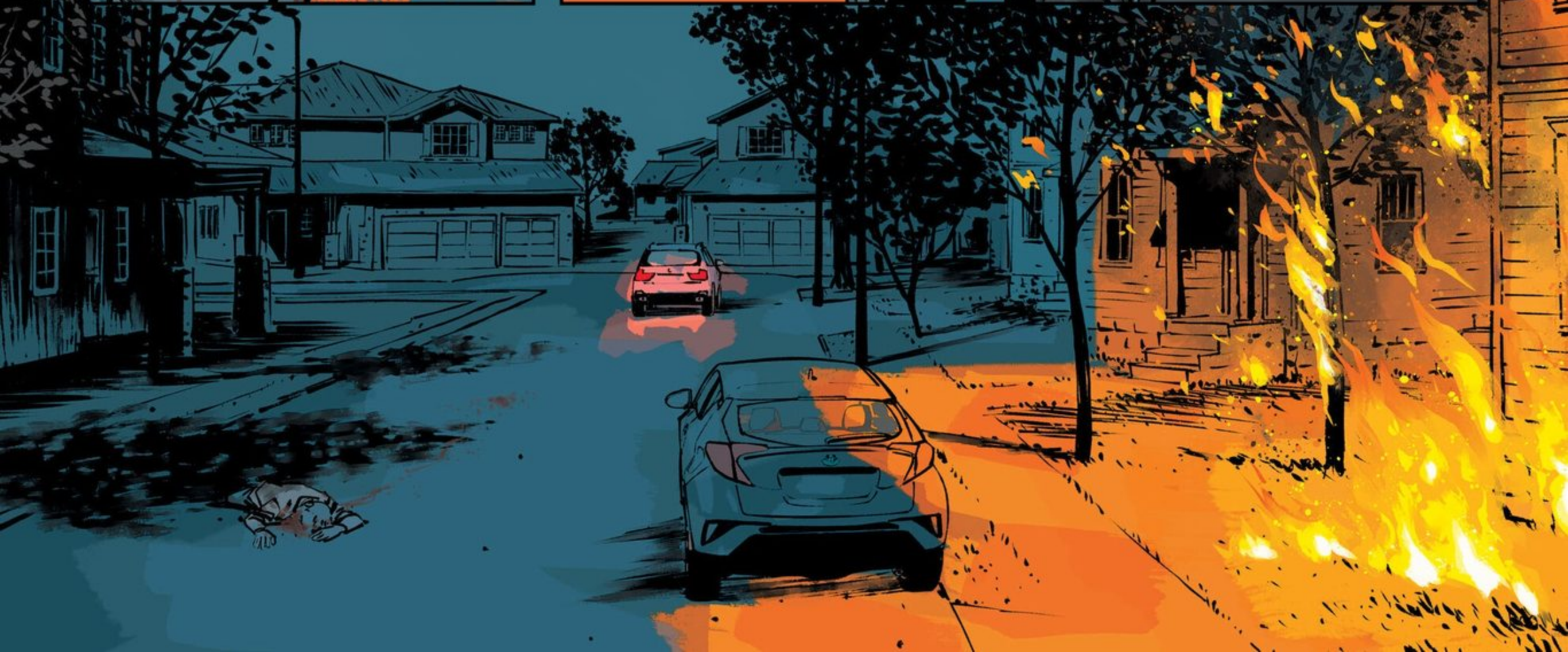
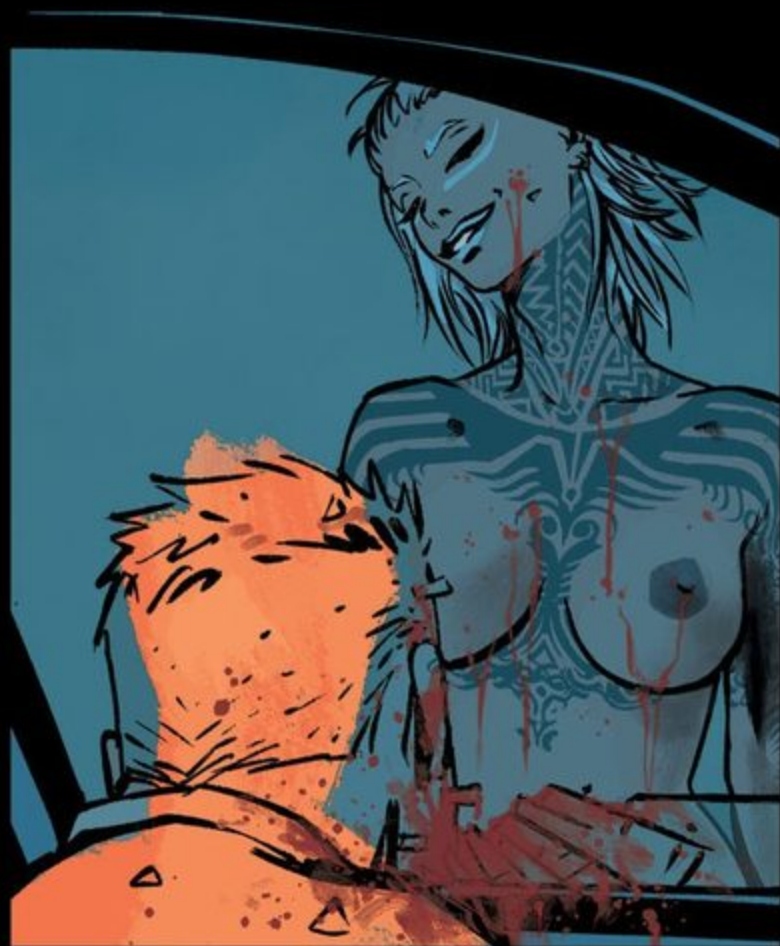












ELLISON

WAKE
UP, KID.

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WHERE
AM I?

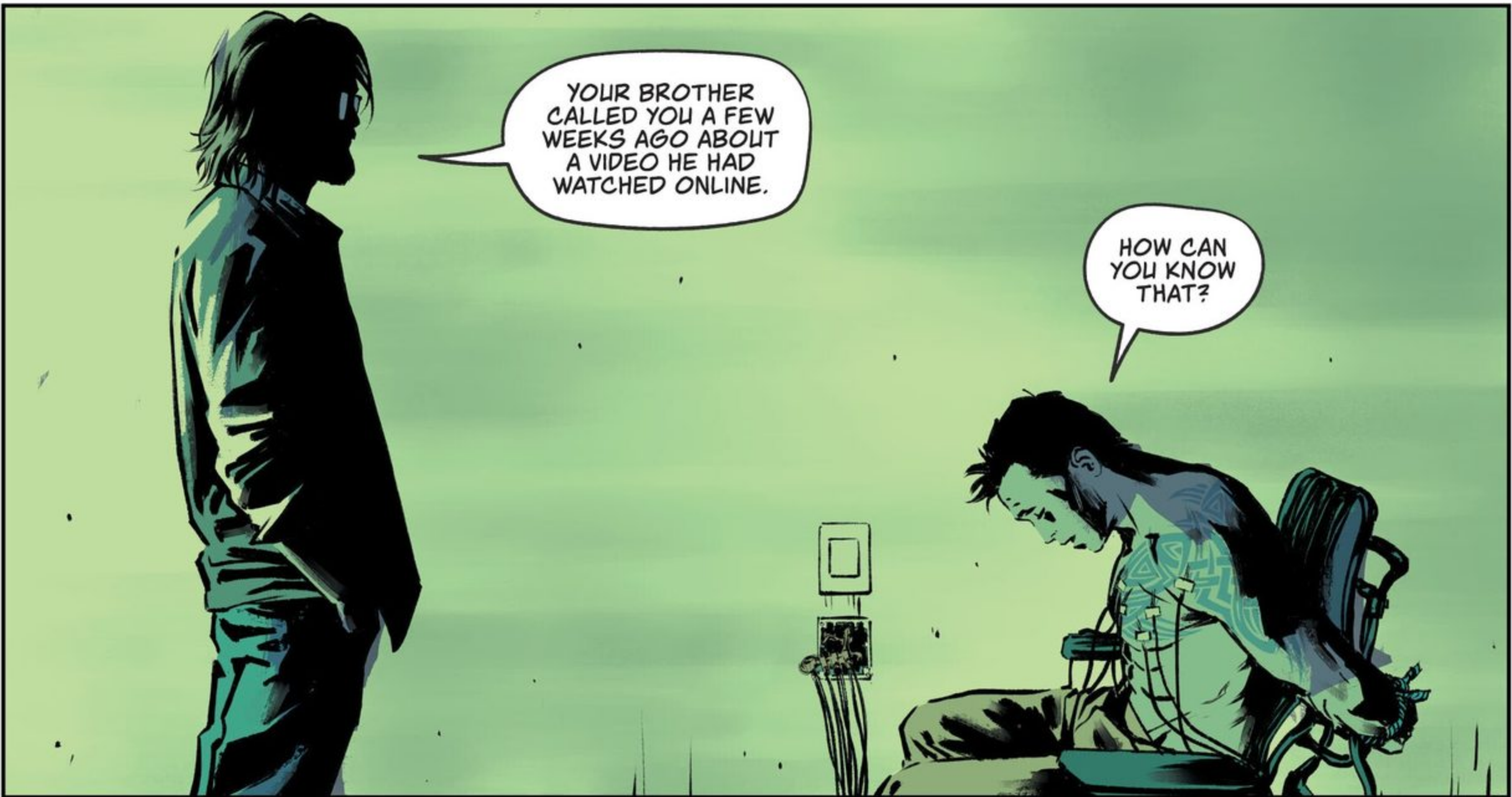
DON'T WORRY
ABOUT THAT RIGHT
NOW. I NEED TO ASK
YOU SOME QUESTIONS,
AND I NEED YOU TO
GIVE ME SOME REAL
ANSWERS.

WHAT...WHAT
AM I PLUGGED
INTO?

THE WALL.
YOU'RE PLUGGED
INTO THE WALL.

WHY AM
I PLUGGED
INTO THE
WALL?

LET'S
NOT FIND
OUT!



YOUR BROTHER CALLED YOU A FEW WEEKS AGO ABOUT A VIDEO HE HAD WATCHED ONLINE.

HOW CAN YOU KNOW THAT?



HE WAS TALKING ABOUT, LIKE...I DON'T KNOW, SOME SECRET FORUM. SOME DARK WEB SHIT.

HOW DO YOU HAVE THAT?



THESE FUCKING THINGS ARE ALWAYS LISTENING, KID. REMEMBER THAT.

NOW ANSWER MY QUESTIONS OR WE'RE GOING TO FIND OUT WHY YOU'RE PLUGGED INTO THE WALL.

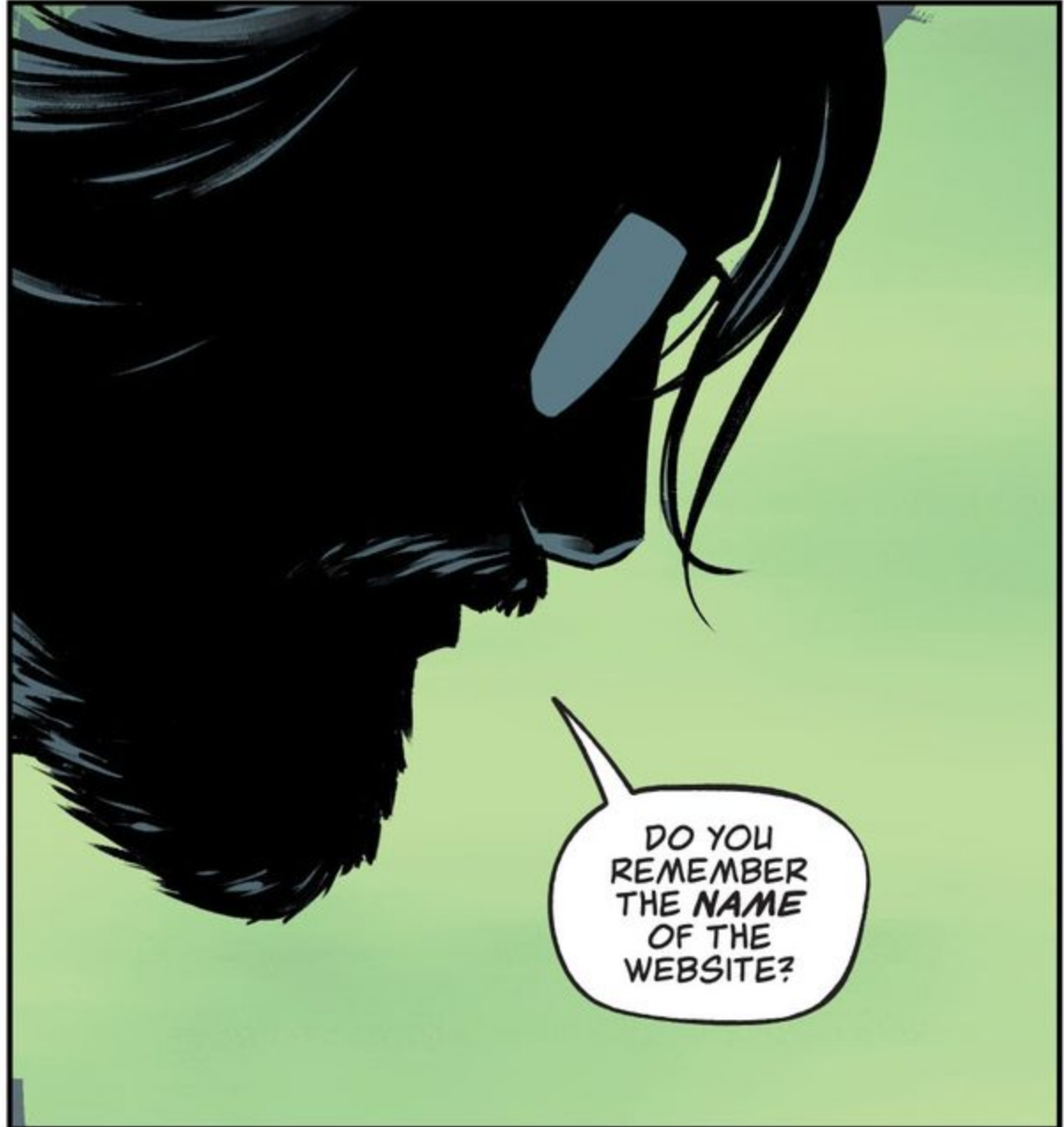
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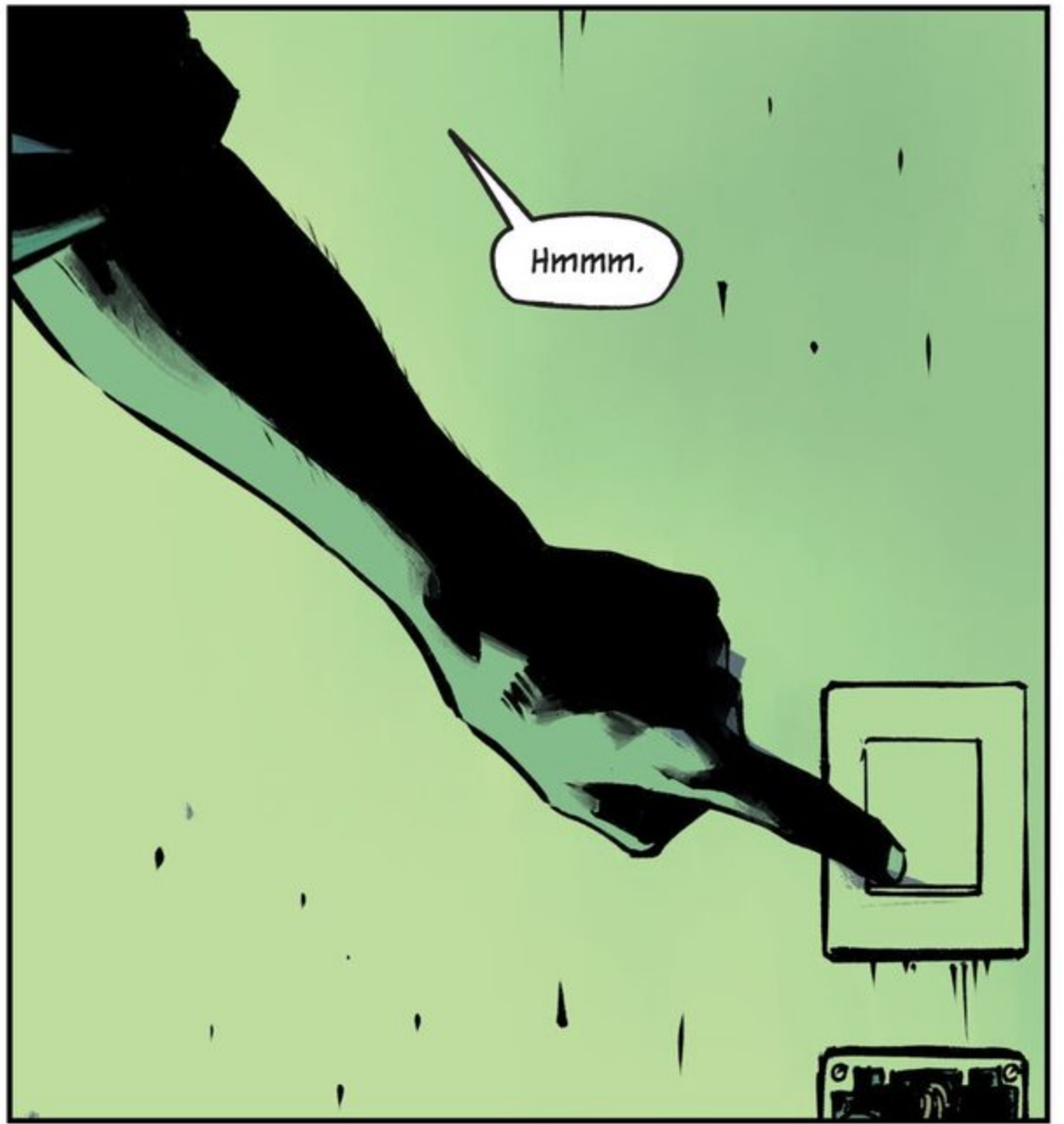
I NEED YOU TO TELL ME EVERYTHING HE SAID ABOUT FINDING THAT WEBSITE.

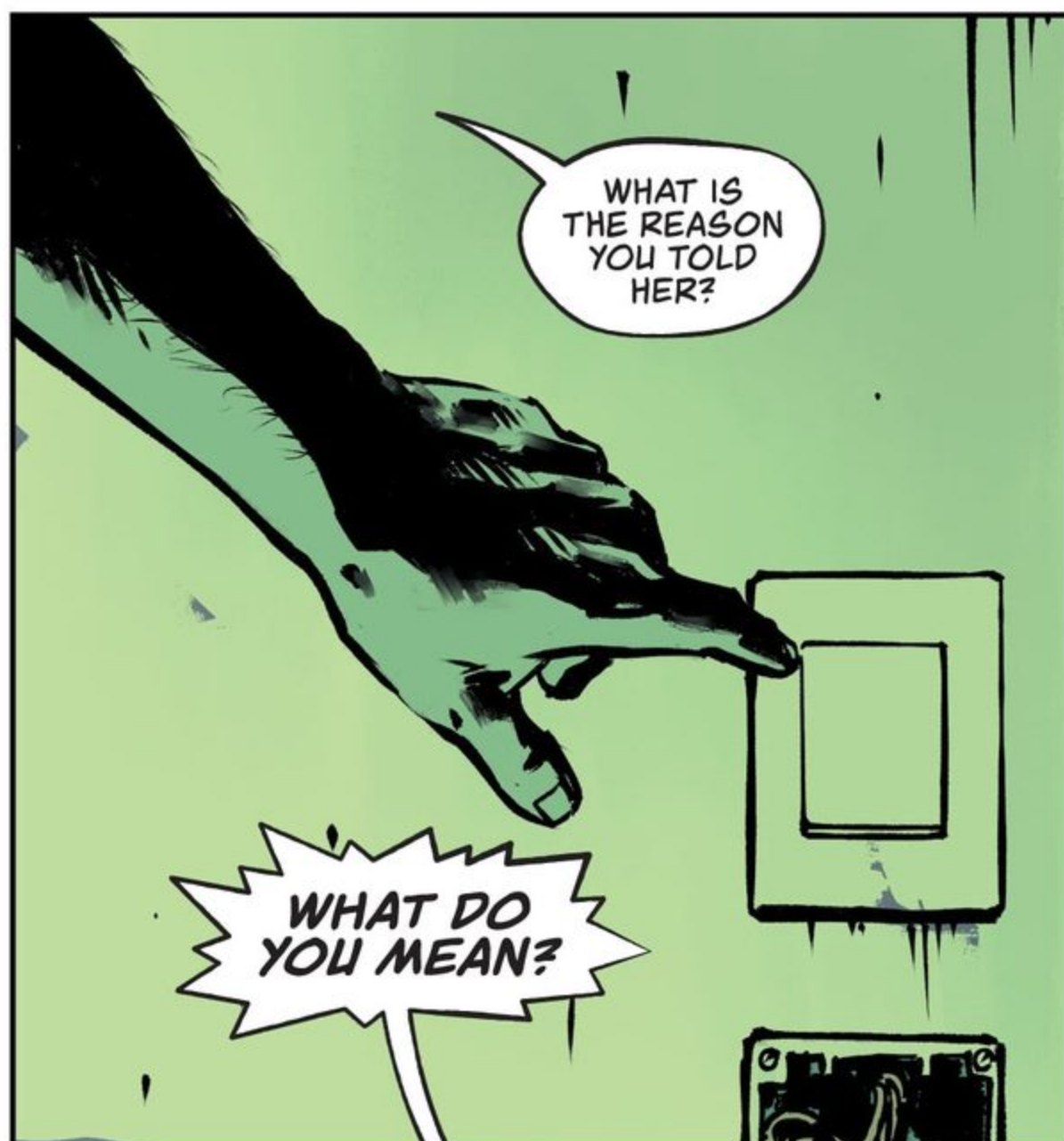
I DON'T... I DON'T UNDERSTAND.



DO YOU REMEMBER THE NAME OF THE WEBSITE?





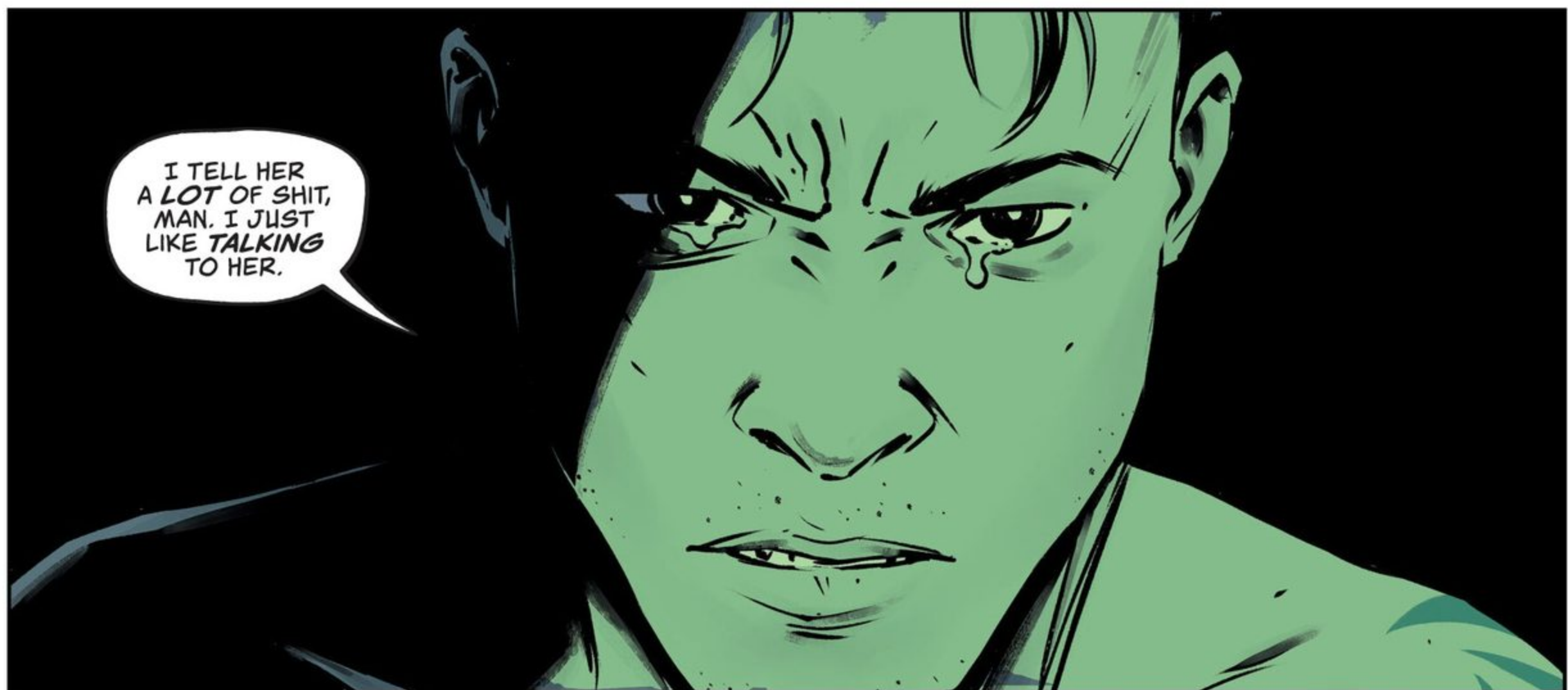


WHAT IS THE REASON YOU TOLD HER?

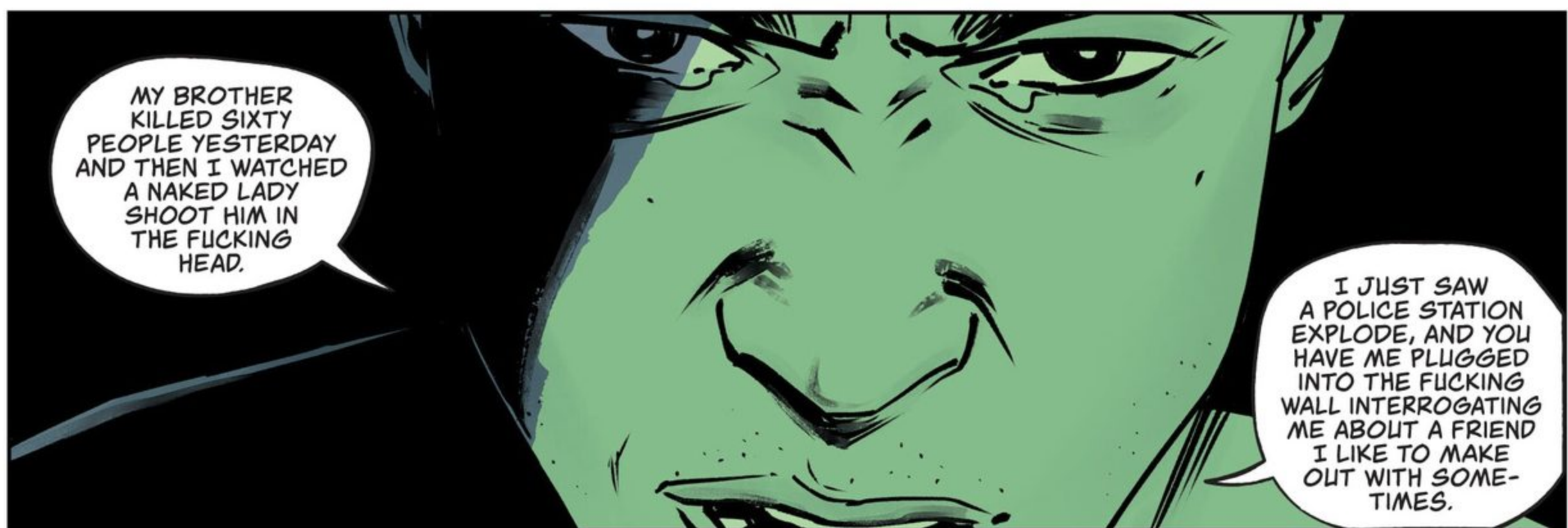
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?



WERE YOU *COMPELLED* TO TELL HER? LIKE, WAS THERE A PART OF YOU THAT NEEDED TO TELL HER? AFTER HEARING THAT STORY FROM YOUR BROTHER, COULD YOU FEEL IT IN YOUR *MIND*?



I TELL HER A LOT OF SHIT, MAN. I JUST LIKE TALKING TO HER.



MY BROTHER KILLED SIXTY PEOPLE YESTERDAY AND THEN I WATCHED A NAKED LADY SHOOT HIM IN THE FUCKING HEAD.

I JUST SAW A POLICE STATION EXPLODE, AND YOU HAVE ME PLUGGED INTO THE FUCKING WALL INTERROGATING ME ABOUT A FRIEND I LIKE TO MAKE OUT WITH SOME-TIMES.



I WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE FUCK IS GOING ON!!



NOTHING.

WE'VE GOT
ABSOLUTELY
NOTHING.

SILK.

SILK



THIS IS WHERE
THEY KEPT THE
EVIDENCE FROM
THE LANE KID AND
NOW IT'S GONE.
WE NEVER SHOULD
HAVE LET HIS
BROTHER GO.
WE NEED TO GET
HIM BACK RIGHT
AWAY.

I JUST GOT
A CALL FROM
JUSTICE.



SHIT.

THE
DEVIL
WANTS TO
TALK TO
YOU.

SHIT FUCK
SHIT.



YEAH,
THAT'S WHAT
I SAID, TOO.
SHIT FUCK
SHIT.



YOU SHOULDN'T
CALL HER THE
DEVIL.

I'M NOT
GOING TO
STOP.

YEAH. ME
NEITHER.



HEY, BOSS.

IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU'RE HAVING A FUN TIME IN PENNSYLVANIA.

YES, MA'AM.



WHAT IS THAT SOUND?

I DIDN'T WANT... umh...THE PRESS TO OVER-HEAR US AND THE PHONES ARE DEAD IN THE STATION. SO, I'M IN THE WOODS BEHIND THE STATION. FOR A LITTLE PRIVACY.

I THINK I JUST STEPPED IN A PILE OF DEER SHIT. THOSE LITTLE PELLET-LOOKING THINGS.



YOU'VE REALLY GOT THIS SITUATION UNDER CONTROL, THEN.

MA'AM, SHE'S HERE. HERE IN THIS NOWHERE TOWN. OUR NAKED GRIM REAPER.

AND DO WE HAVE ANY CONNECTION BETWEEN HER AND THE KID? THIS *GIBSON LANE*?



OTHER THAN HER SHOOTING HIM IN THE HEAD?

THAT'S A NO, THEN.

WE HAD HIS BROTHER.



WELL, I DIDN'T CALL TO TELL YOU WHAT A BAD JOB YOU'RE DOING. YOU'RE SMART ENOUGH TO KNOW THAT WITHOUT ME SAYING IT.

THANK YOU, MA'AM.



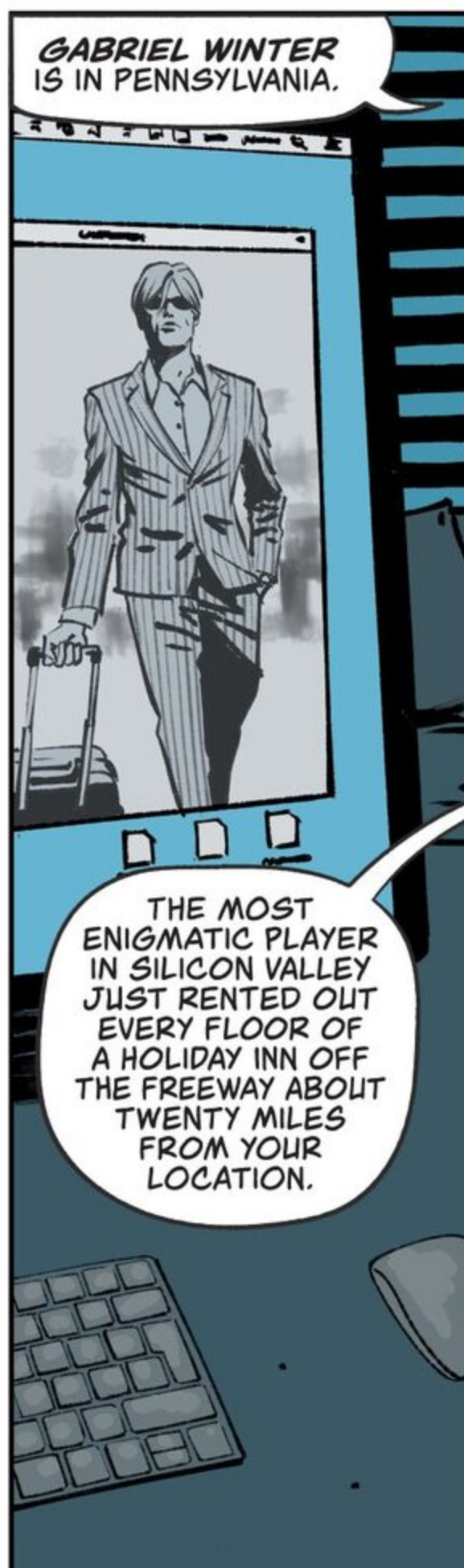
I JUST GOT AN INTERESTING CALL FROM GREGORY BELL AT ANGEL.

HE'S FINALLY DECIDED TO COOPERATE WITH OUR INVESTIGATION. A CERTAIN *BOYTOY* OF HIS IS STARTING TO REALLY SCARE HIM.

WHEN BELL LEARNED WHERE HIS PRIZED INNOVATOR TOOK THE PRIVATE JET TODAY, HE FINALLY FOUND IT IN HIM TO TALK TO THE BIG BAD GOVERNMENT.



YOU'RE NOT SAYING...



GABRIEL WINTER IS IN PENNSYLVANIA.

THE MOST ENIGMATIC PLAYER IN SILICON VALLEY JUST RENTED OUT EVERY FLOOR OF A HOLIDAY INN OFF THE FREEWAY ABOUT TWENTY MILES FROM YOUR LOCATION.



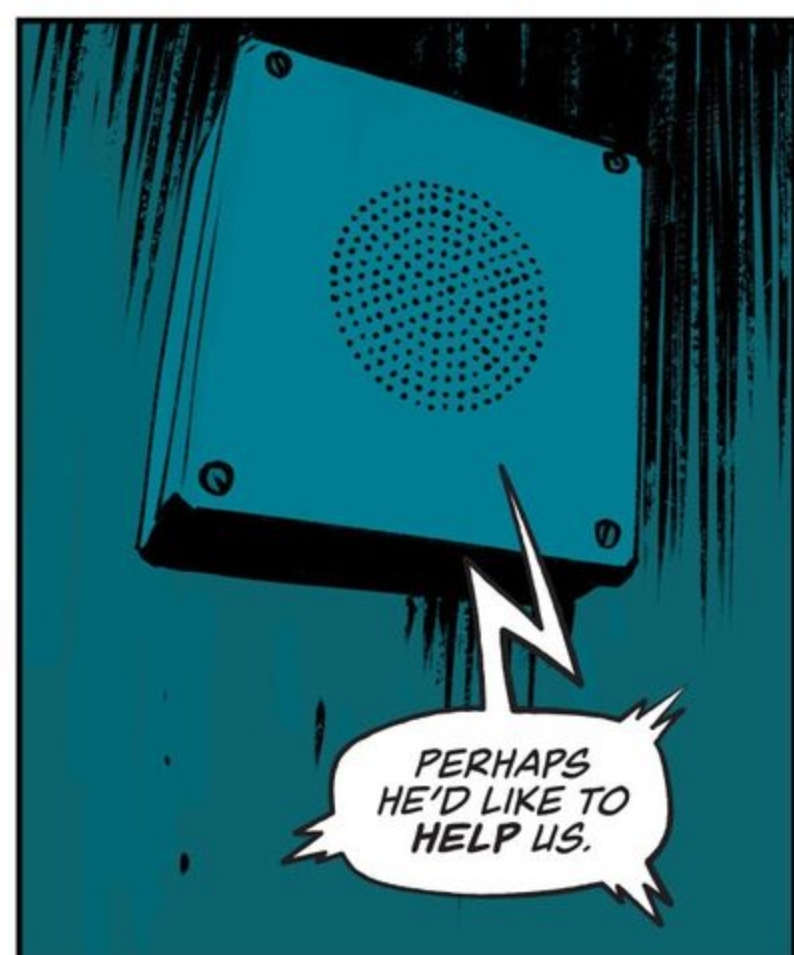
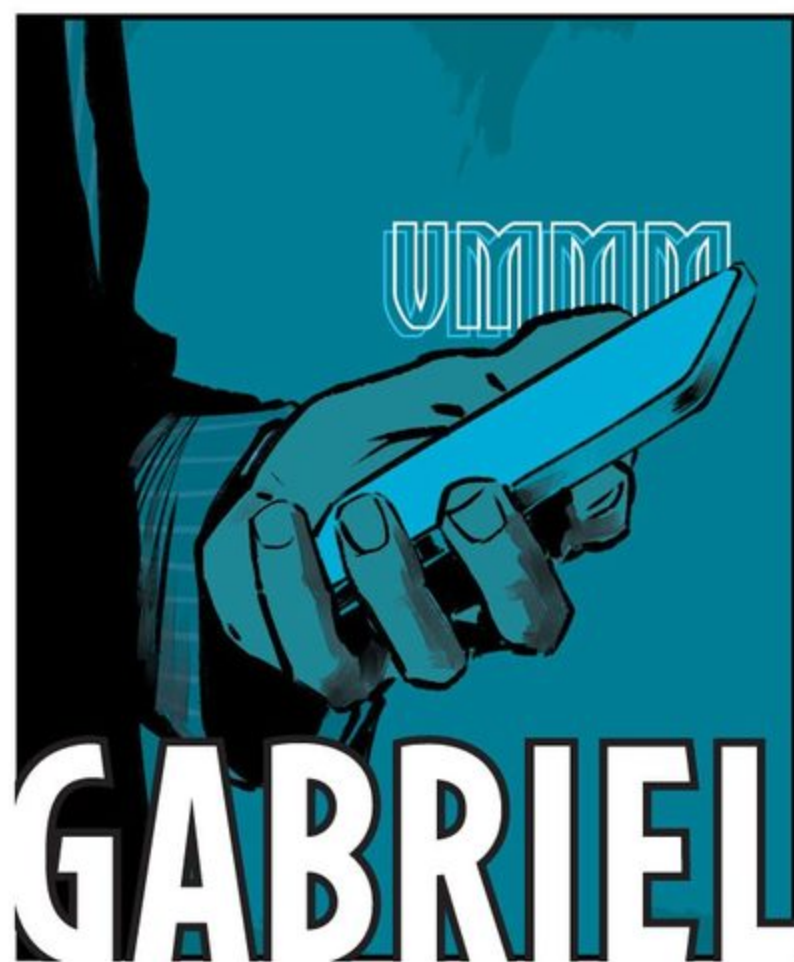
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL IS BREATHING DOWN MY NECK BECAUSE OF HOW VISIBLE THIS CASE IS.

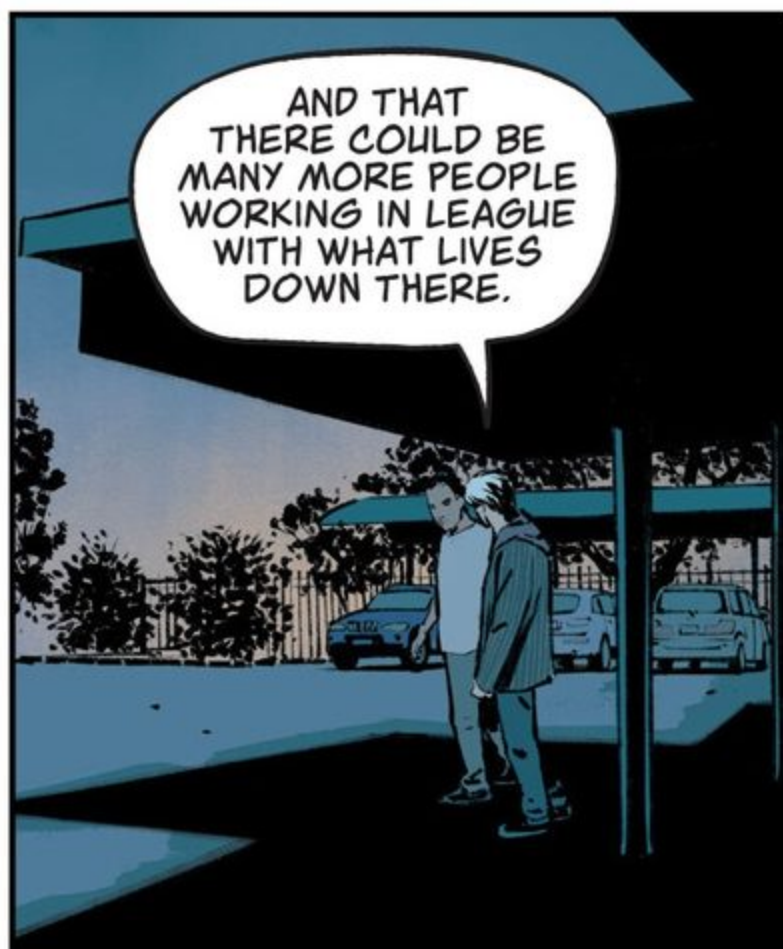
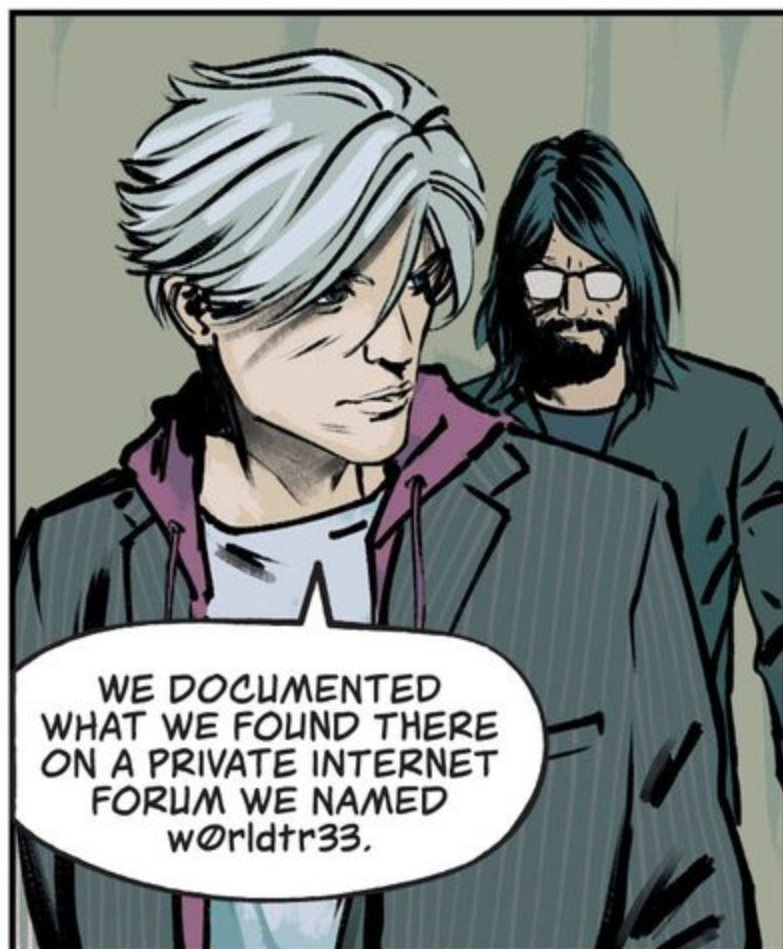
BUT I MANAGED TO SCARE HIM HALF TO DEATH BY HINTING AT WHAT WE'VE BEEN CHASING HERE.

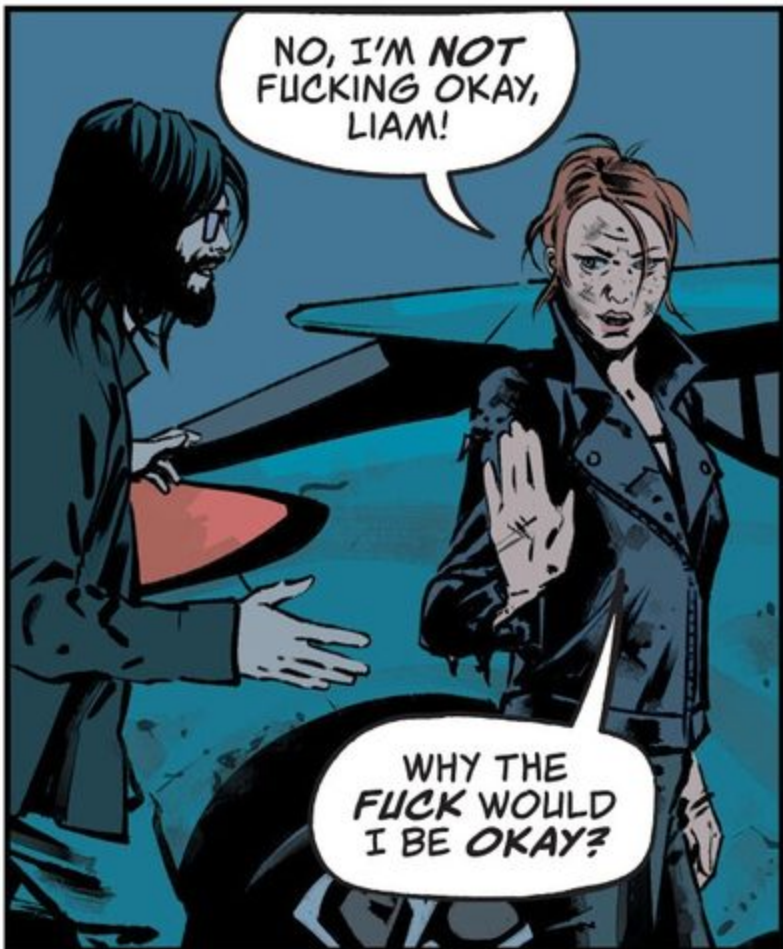
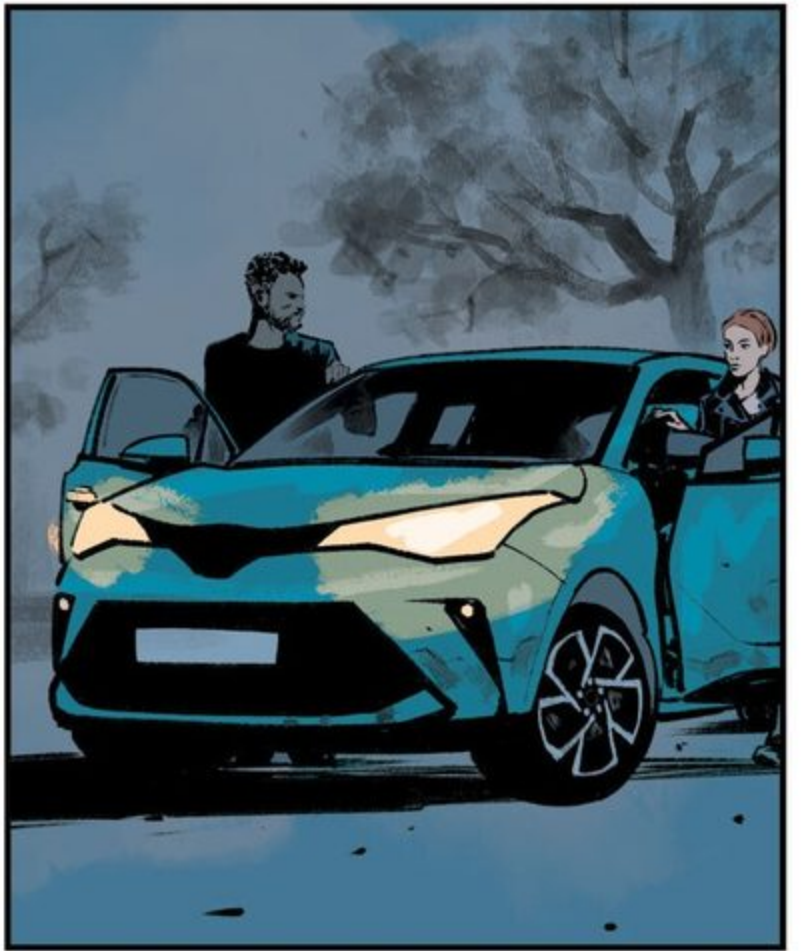
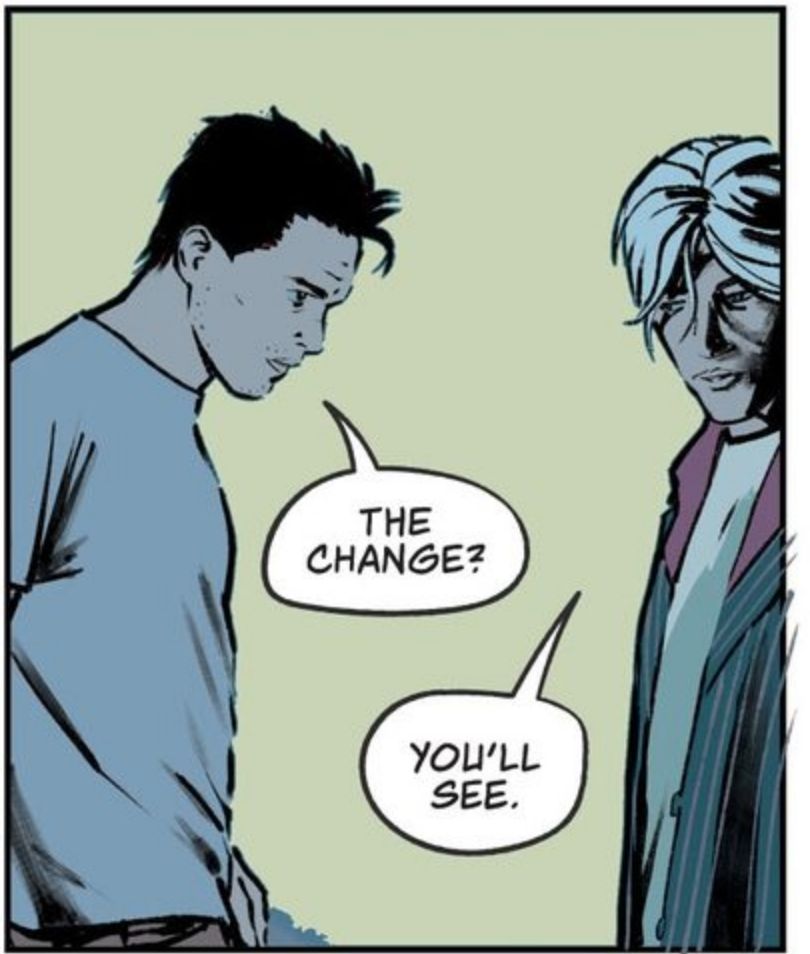
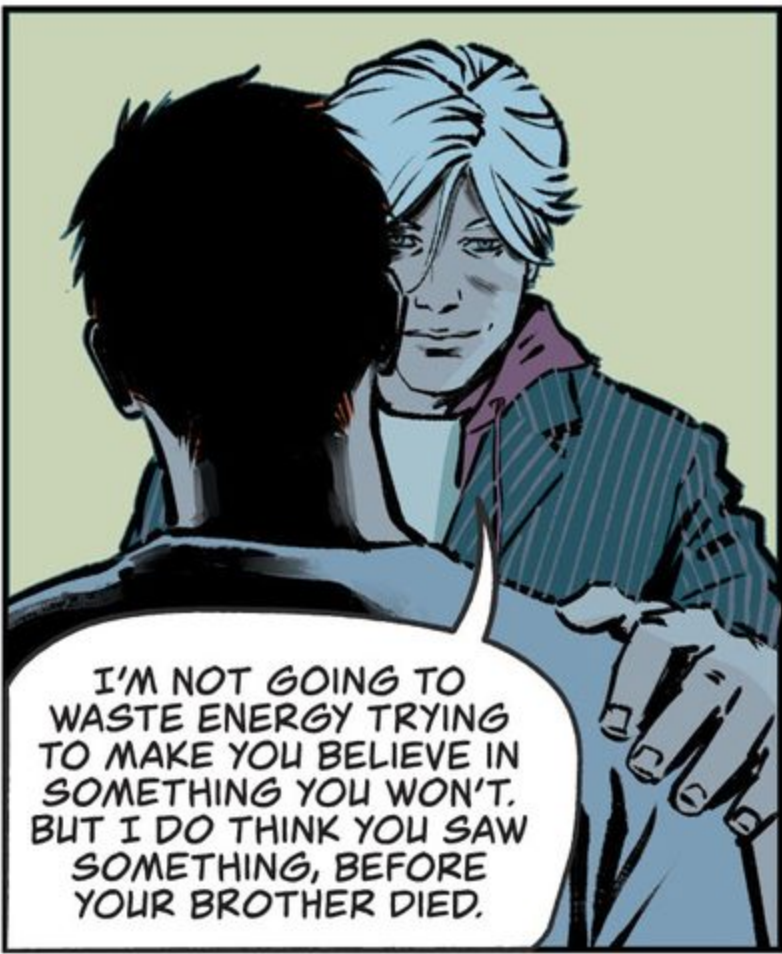


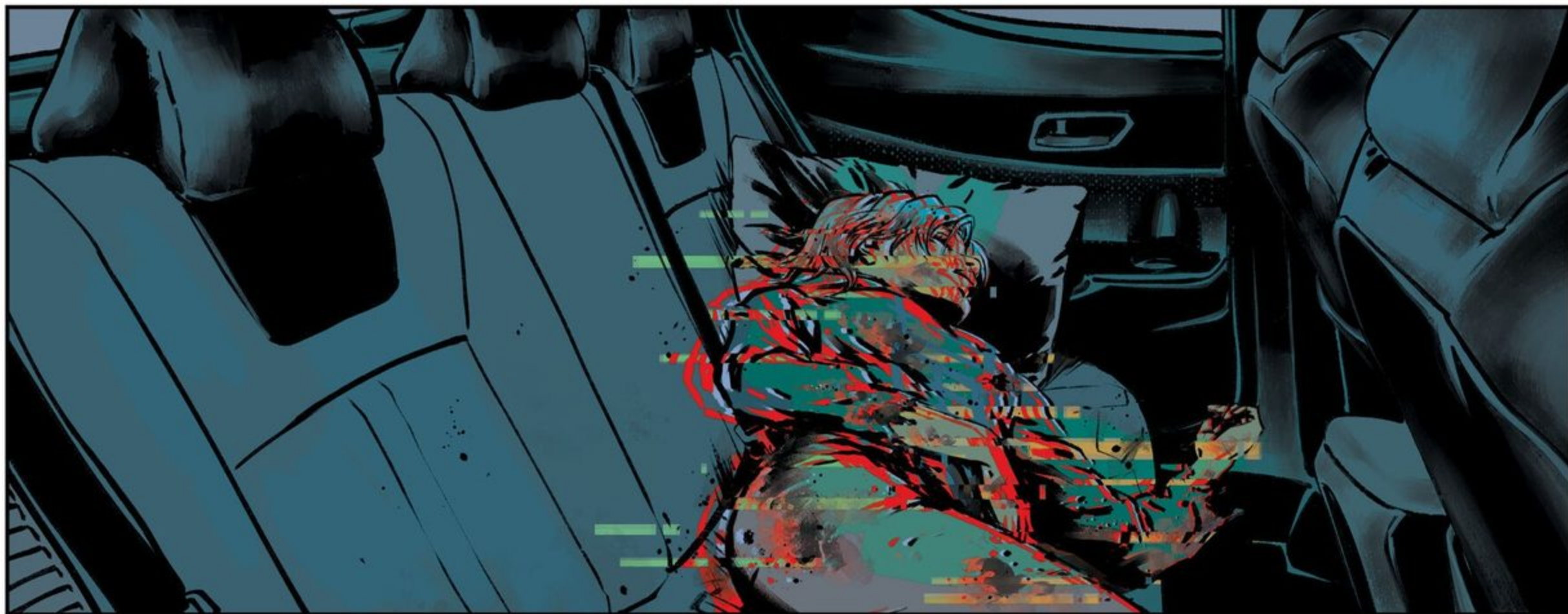
DIG YOUR FEET OUT OF THE SHIT, SILK. SOMETHING STRANGE IS HAPPENING IN THAT LITTLE CORNER OF THE WORLD.

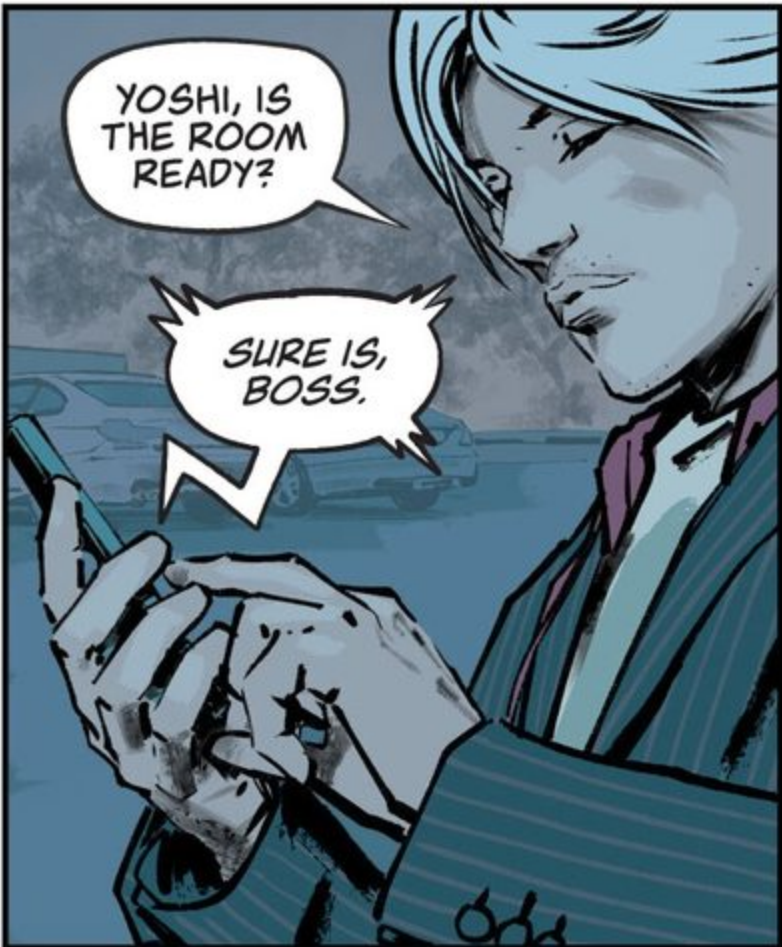
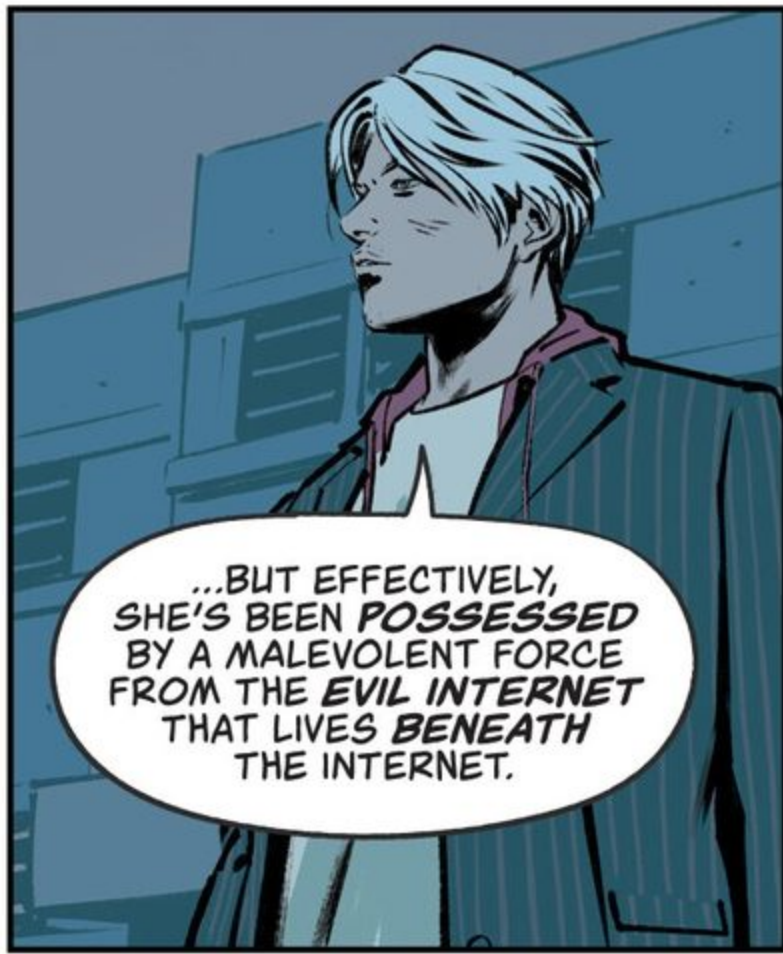
AND IF WE DON'T GET TO THE BOTTOM OF IT QUICK, IT'S ONLY GOING TO GET WORSE.





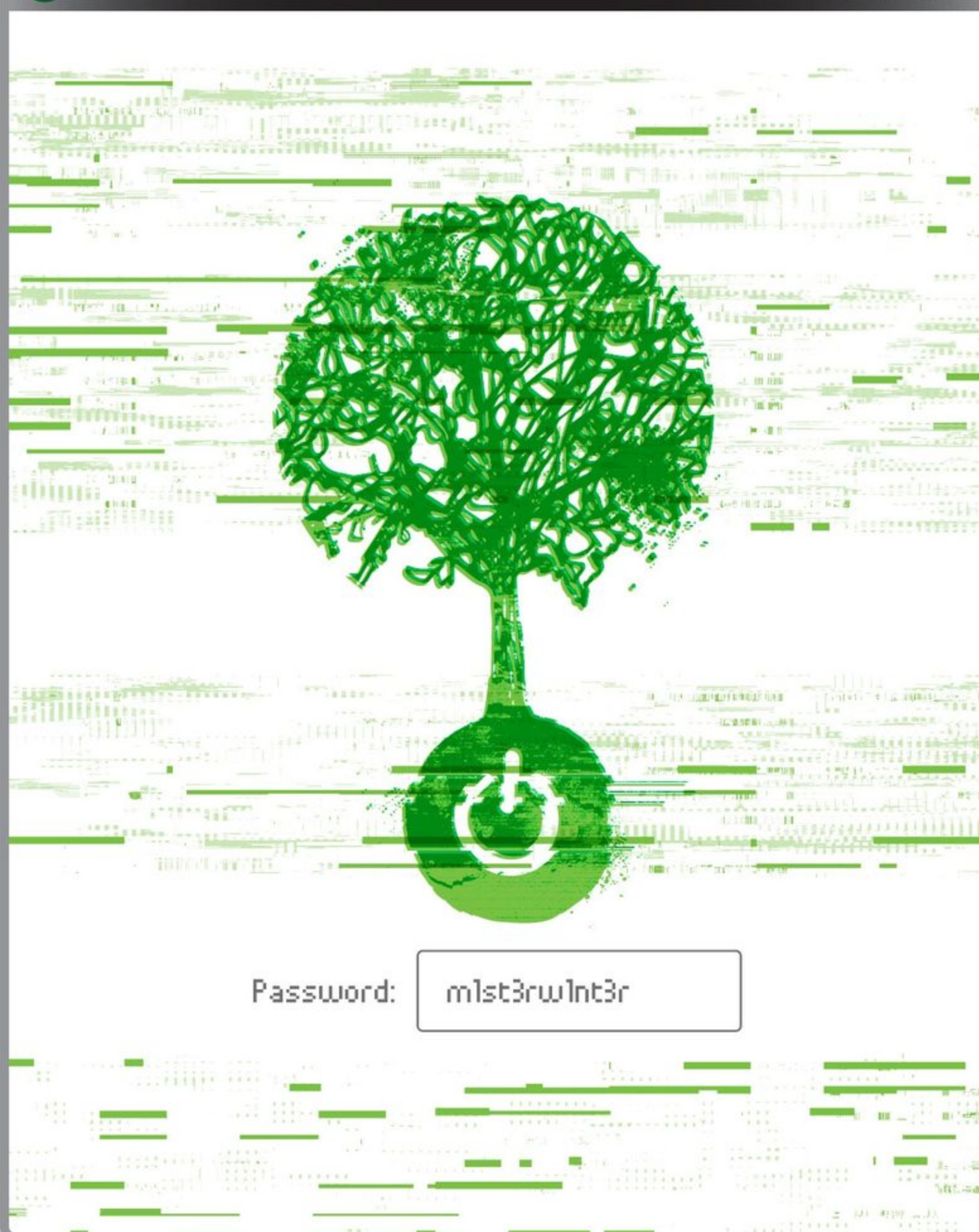








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Swan Songs

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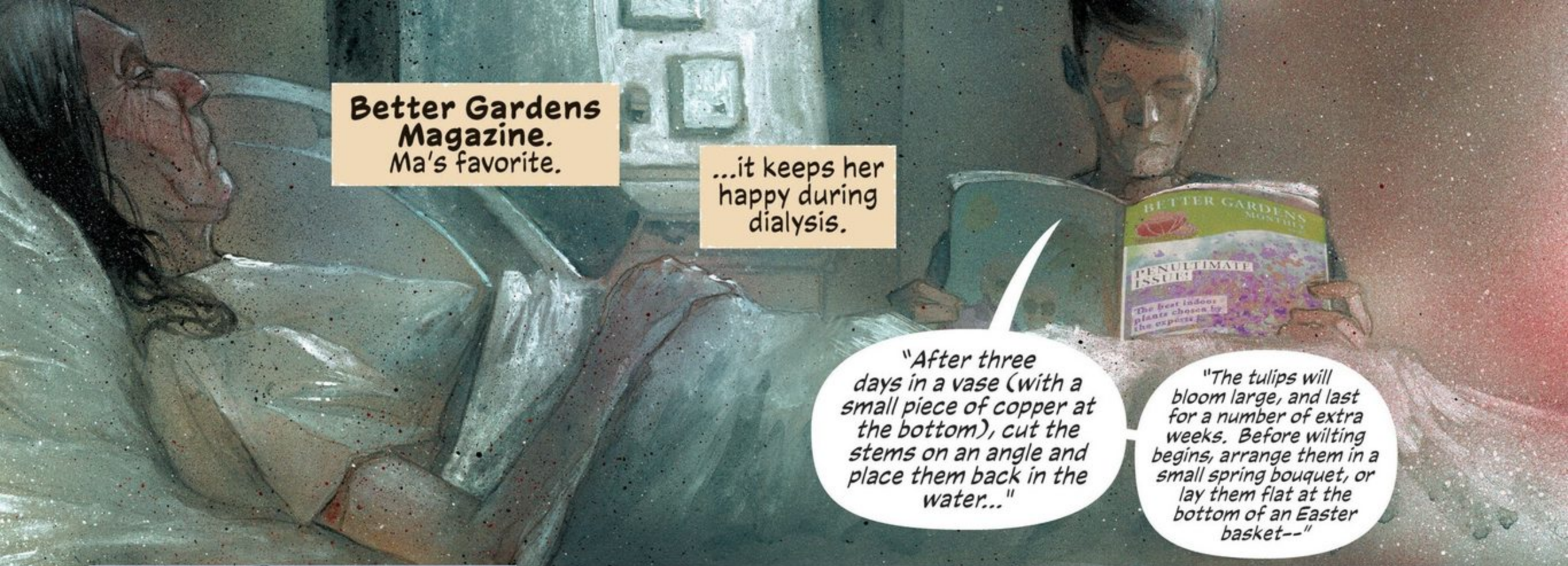


Before he was trampled
to death by an **angry**
mob, my therapist
always used to say:

*"Baby steps, Brian.
Baby steps."*

JESUS
SAVES
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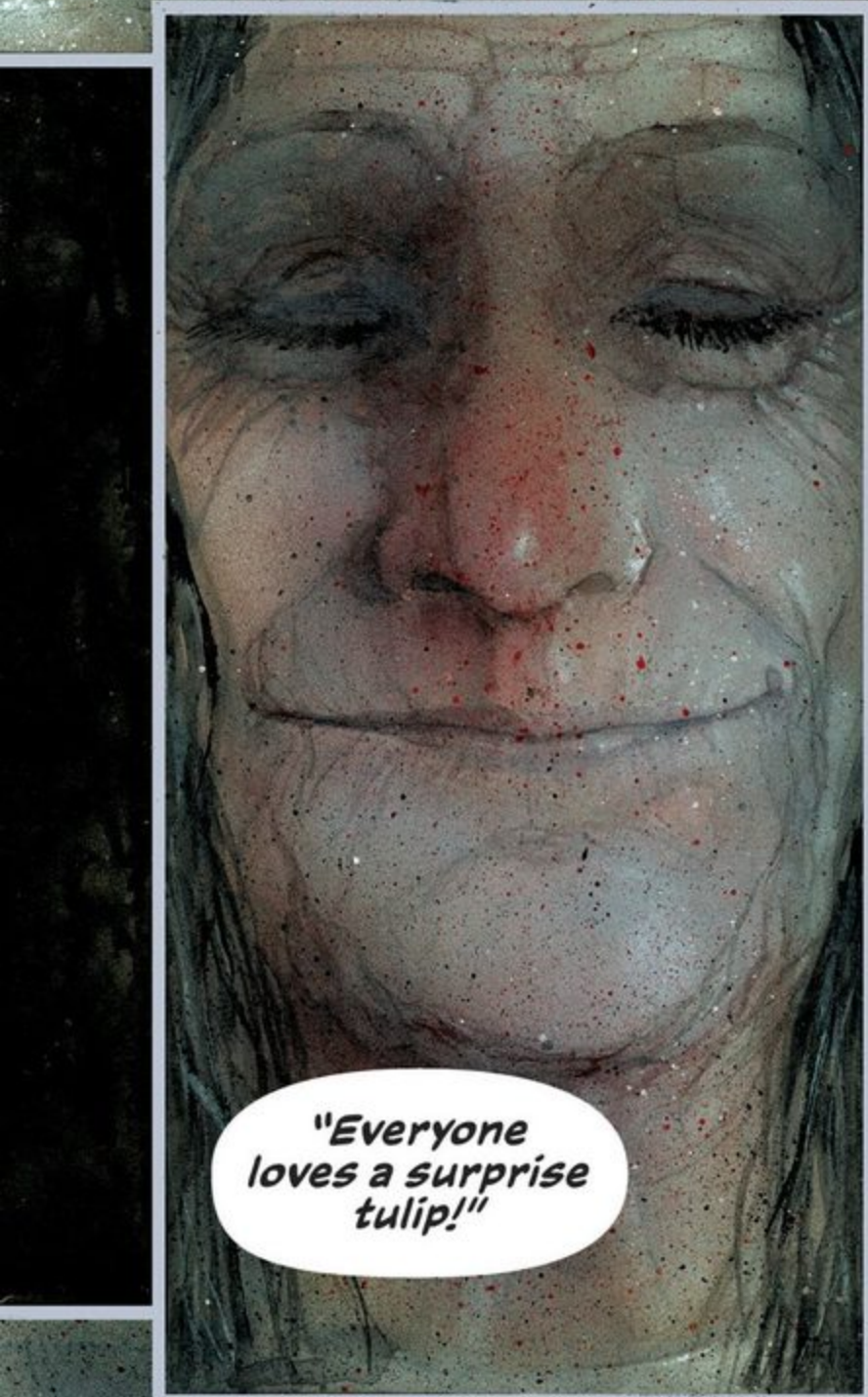


Better Gardens Magazine.
Ma's favorite.

...it keeps her happy during dialysis.

"After three days in a vase (with a small piece of copper at the bottom), cut the stems on an angle and place them back in the water..."

"The tulips will bloom large, and last for a number of extra weeks. Before wilting begins, arrange them in a small spring bouquet, or lay them flat at the bottom of an Easter basket--"



"Everyone loves a surprise tulip!"



...and that's it. The last article.

Tulips. You remember those, Brian?

Yeah, I remember tulips, Ma.



You're a sweet boy, reading all these magazines to me.



There's one more, you know.



What's that?

The magazine. Better Gardens. There's one more issue...

...Fred down at **Carousel** called about it just before the phones went offline.



"Fred down at Carousel..."

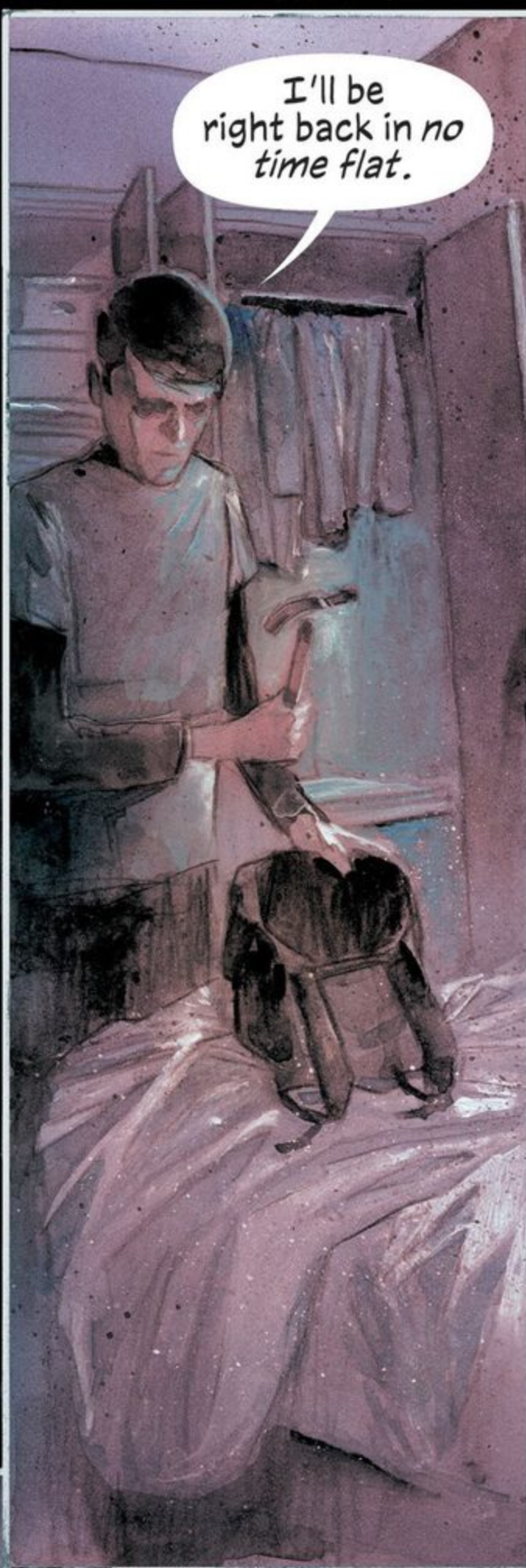
Fred's probably **dead**, sweetie.

Yeah, but...





Okay.
You sleep,
Mama.



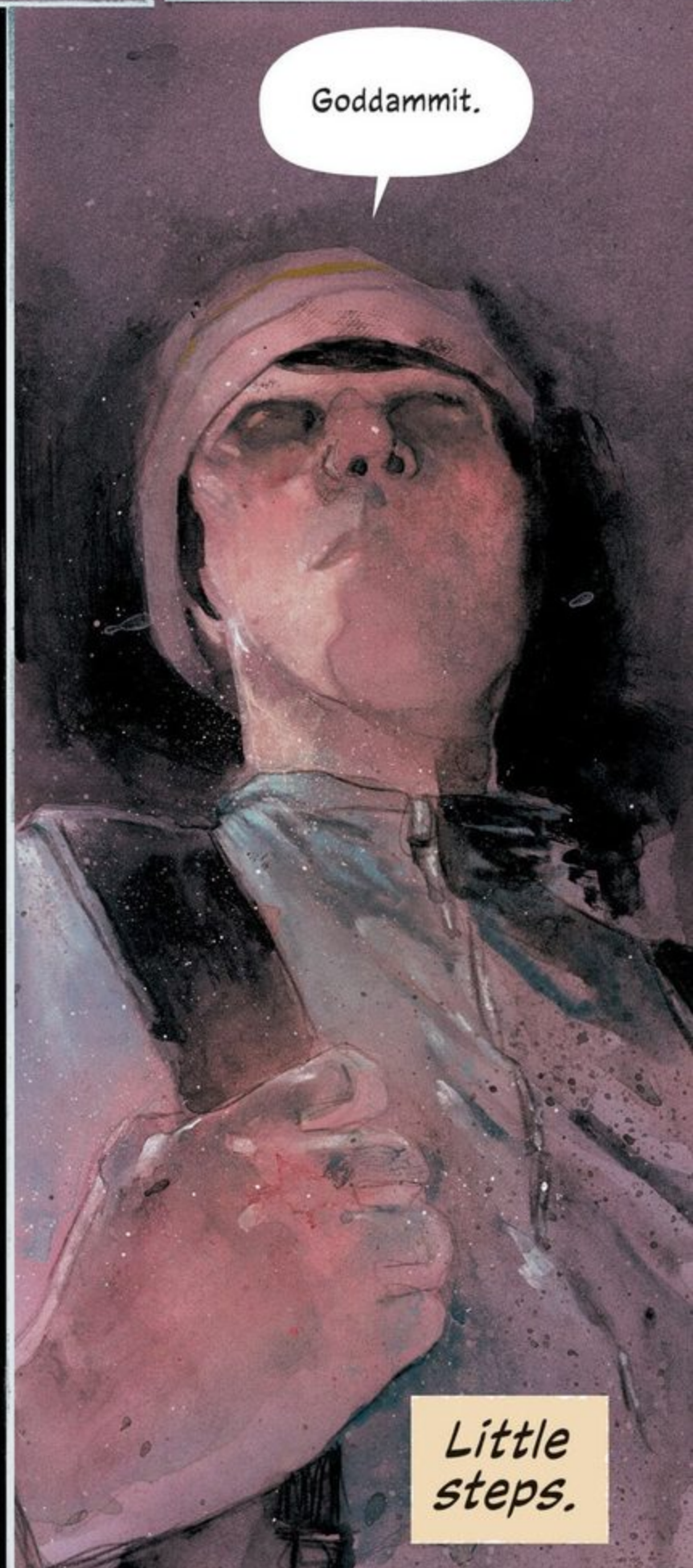
I'll be
right back in *no*
time flat.



"Something
small."
**Modest
goals.**



Sensible
increments...

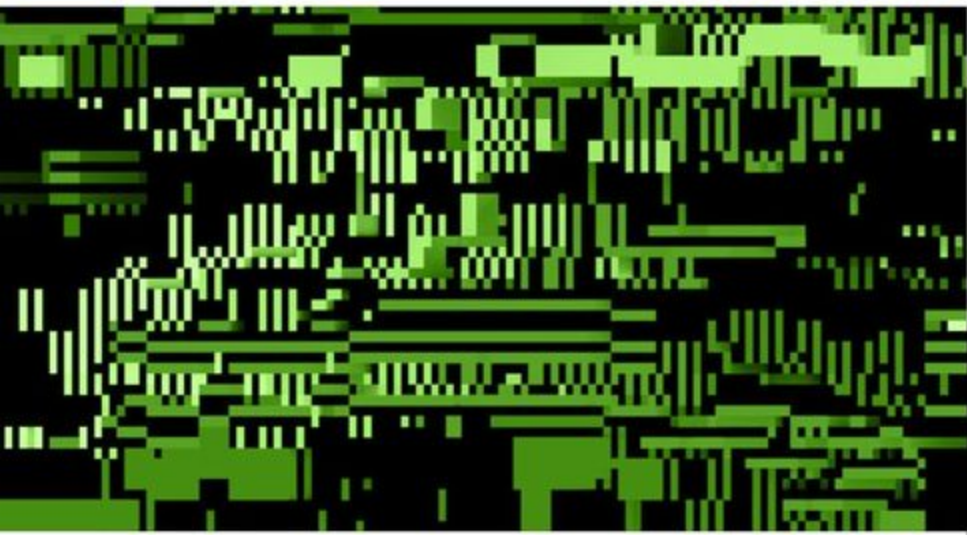
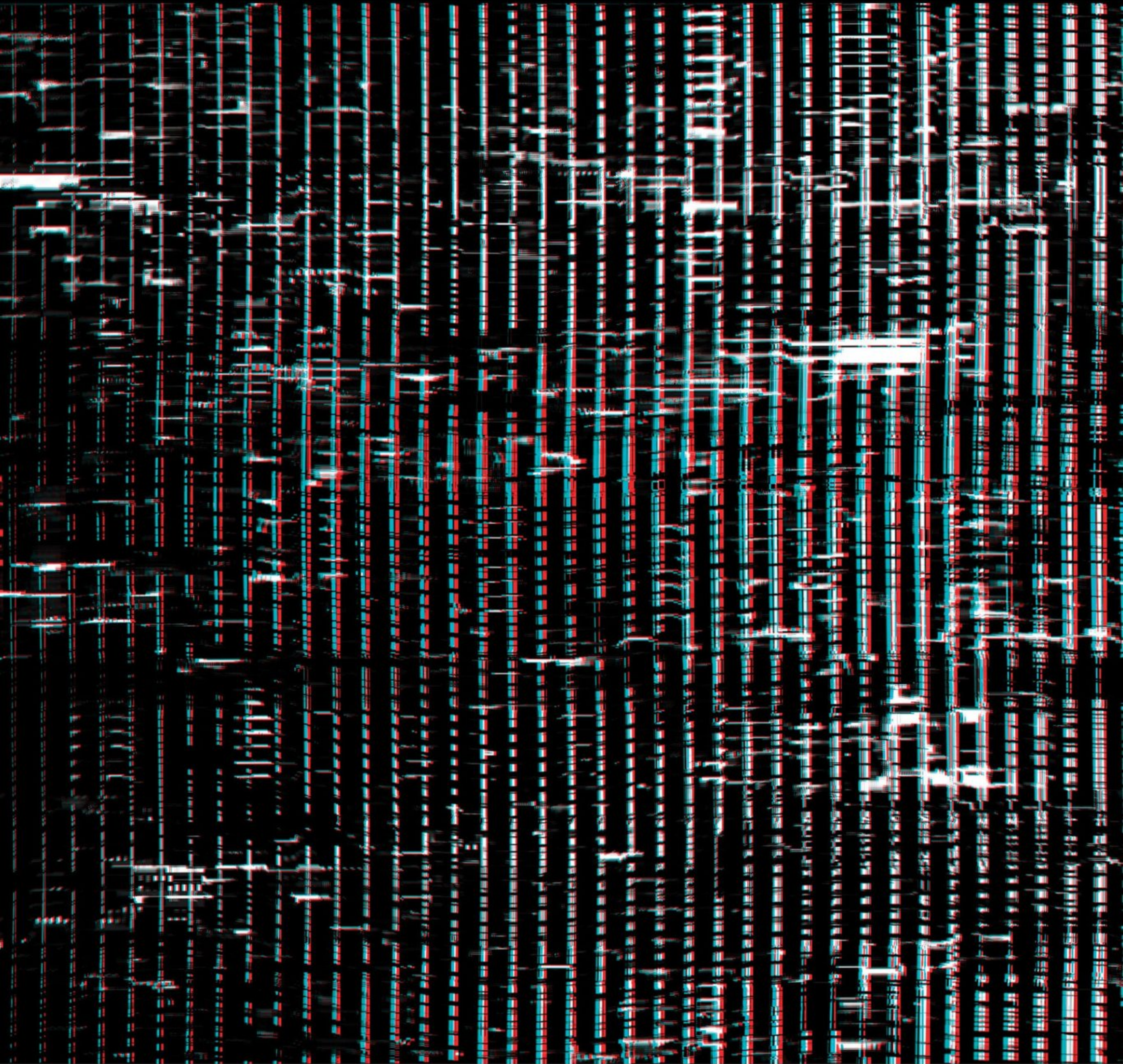


Goddammit.

**Little
steps.**

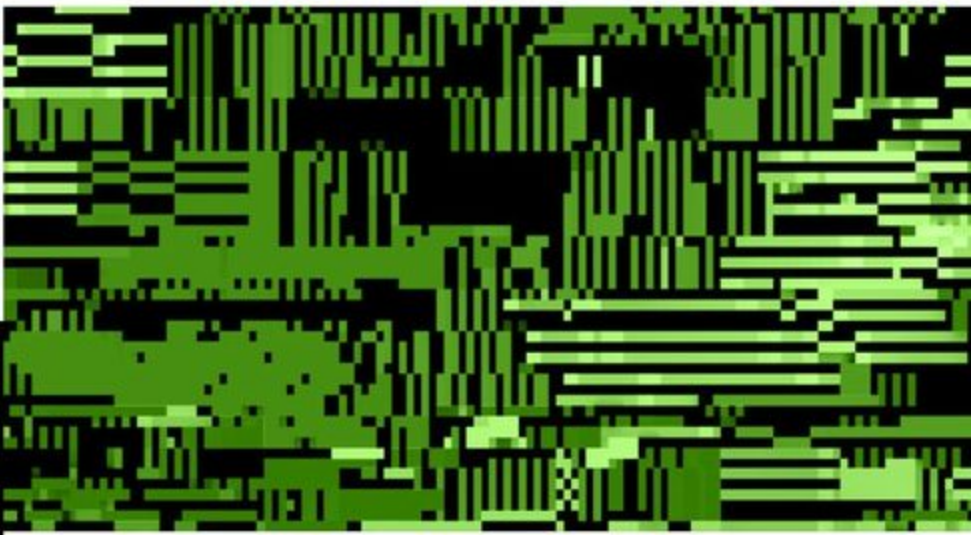


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"THIS FAN...
THIS MONSTER!"

